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APRIL FOOL.

BY EUNICE MONROE.

They were nestled side by side,
Gas turned low,
And his love he couldn't hide—
Told her so!
It was charming April weather,
And they whispered there together,
Both light hearted as a feather—
Well, you know!

Then her little hand he took
In his own;
And he murmured, with a look,
"Mine alone!"
While his heart in trepidation,
And decided perturbation,
Took in all the situation;
Blushes shone.

What he asked her on the spot
You may guess;
Sweetest word of all the lot—
Do say "Yes!"
Then that pretty hand, so slightly,
Once again he pressed so tightly,
But the coy one laughed quite lightly,
I confess.

Other loves don't interest,
As a rule,
And we deem them but a jest—
Keep quite cool;
On her rosebud lips he kissed her,
For he couldn't then resist her,
And she cooed: "I'll be your sister!
April fool!"

MRS. MAYBURY'S CAMPAIGN.

BY M. A. T.

"It's ridiculous, the way those children act," Mrs. Henry Maybury was saying to her better half (in this case doubtful). "Do you know Anatale, in her letter this morning, says she had rather remain at home the balance of her existence, and fade into oblivion, than spend a few weeks with us, if by so doing she must be under the same roof with him for an instant. And Harry, he swears never to forgive Anatale, even if she should plead with him on bended knees, her eyes full of tears. The likelihood of that is apparent on the face of it."

"The outlook for a happy reconciliation between the two, I must admit, dear, is not as bright as a newly coined dollar. Should they, by chance, come face to face a meeting between the Emperor of Germany and the Czar of Russia would hold no more comparison to it than the report of a tin cannon to that of a fourteen pounder."

"Now, I propose to do away with all this silly nonsense. I'm tired of it. I'm not surprised at Harry, but to think that one of my sex should play the fool so well!"

"Is she the first to distinguish herself in that line, may I ask, Agnes?"

"You may ask nothing at present, Henry Maybury, if you can't ask reasonable questions.

"I'm thoroughly sick of trifling with those two inconsistent post juveniles, and I'll put an end to it or my name is not Agnes Maybury. Anatale shall come as arranged, and if she leaves this house before she and Harry Winslow have made up their differences it will be the first time your wife has ever mistaken her own judgment in such affairs."

"In my mind, Agnes, the thing is already settled. The engraver might as well be spoken to tomorrow."

Anatale Morris had the proud distinction of being a niece of Mrs. Henry Maybury's—her mother and Mrs. Maybury were sisters. Henry Winslow was a young lawyer—at least he had been admitted. True, the income derived from his professional practice probably did not net him enough to pay his weekly car fares and cigar bills, but he occupied a sumptuous office, owned an excellent law library, and had a blond typewriter always ready at his call. (And the friends of the typewriter were not loath to circulate the report that she had the "easiest snap" in town).

Both Anatale and Harry had seen the time when a meeting arranged for them would not have been cast aside with sneers—in other words they had once thought they loved. They had often poured out to each other volumes of Cupid's platitudes, vowing eternal devotion. Oh, no, one could never live without the other—that was a settled thing.

But the crash came, as it must come to all young love matches, sooner or later, and with it the usual "I told you so's." For three months now the two had been separated; for three months each had cast bitter denunciations, together with the blame, at the other; yet for three long months each, down in the innermost recesses of the heart, had yearned for the other, and it was then, for the first time, each had learned what love really is. But stubbornness, heir to humanity, when in good working trim dominates even love, and so the fight went on with no seeming finish.

Well, Anatale went to visit her aunt, and it was without the promise that she would not be "under the same roof with him for an instant."

"You've a pretty difficult hand to play here, Agnes," Mr. Maybury ventured to remark the evening of Anatale's arrival, "and if I didn't know you were all right at the game of bluff I'd think you were up against it."

"I'm running this campaign, Henry Maybury, and all you've to do is to watch me closely. You'll know more when I'm through than you do now."

At which Mr. Maybury remarked (under his breath): "God bless the bachelor."

"I've been thinking of a theatre party," Mrs. Maybury continued, "but I've about made up my mind that it won't do. In the first place, there would be so many in the party they could easily evade each other; and, besides, it would be rather mean to place them in such an embarassing position. It might make matters even worse instead of better."

"If I had suggested that you would have said I was an ass."

"True! However, that does not prevent you from being one."

"Well, I have a scheme, anyway. Will you listen to it?"

"Listen to it—no! Not after mine is all worked out."

"Now, just be calm a moment. First of all, read this note," and she passed Mr. Maybury an envelope, addressed to Harry Winslow, Esq., attorney and counsellor at law, Room 4,022 Equitable Building, Borough of Manhattan, New York. It ran as follows:

"MY DEAR MR. WINSLOW: Will you kindly call to see me tomorrow afternoon about four? I have some news for you which is too distressing to write, and which, I am sure, you will be very anxious to hear. Very sincerely, MRS. HENRY MAYBURY."

"I suppose," added Maybury, "you are going to 'spring her on him,' so to speak, then and there, and patch it all up. He'll be in a delicate mood, I expect."

"Just like a man! Exactly to the contrary! Henry Maybury, you ought to know a dodge like that would spoil everything. Do use your judgment. Now, what I want of you tomorrow afternoon is to take Anatale to a matinee. I don't want her in the house when Harry calls, nor do I want her to know he has been here."

"Well, how on earth are you going to bring them together, if you send me off with Anatale every time Harry comes to the house?"

"Did I not tell you I was running this campaign? Isn't that enough? Do as I ask you and watch results. And whatever else you do, agree with everything Anatale says to you about Harry."

The next afternoon found Anatale and Mr. Maybury at a performance of "An American Citizen." Anatale had seemed worried and nervous, thought Mr. Maybury, since luncheon, and he eyed her suspiciously. The curtain had scarcely gone down on the first act when, sure enough, she turned to him and said:

"It's too bad about Mr. Winslow, isn't it, uncle?"

The remark filled him brimful of curiosity, but, remembering his wife's injunction, he answered, exhibiting as much sorrow as possible under the circumstances:

"Yes, it *is* a shame. And such a nice young man!"

"How long has he been that way?"

"This is a nice box you've got me in, Agnes," mused Maybury to himself. "How do I know what she's talking about? It's in the line of your confounded campaign, I suppose, and I've got to act my part as best I can. Well, here goes.

"I should think, Anatale, it had been about a month, but I'm not quite sure as to the date."

"Oh, but Aunt Agnes said she had only just found it out."

Maybury caught his cue, but he had no idea where it would land him.

"Well, you see, Anatale, only a few of us knew it until recently, and, since I've collected my thoughts, I guess I only told your aunt of it a few days ago."

"But how could people help noticing it when they saw Mr. Winslow?"

"They didn't see him."

"Oh, but they did. Auntie says he has been out all the while and about his work."

Maybury was ditched and the timely ringing up of the curtain was the only thing that saved him. Strange to tell, the second or the third or the fourth acts of the play had little interest for him. He puzzled his brain, he thought as he had never thought before, for something—anything—to keep the conversation going at lightning speed during the intermissions. Once or twice Anatale tried to break in—and 'twas another question, Maybury knew—so he rattled along at his task like a schoolboy who knows the minute he ceases talking a birch rod is to fall across his back. And the nightmare never ended until he had deposited Anatale safely into the arms of her aunt two hours later.

What an afternoon! Never had Maybury experienced the like; never, since a young man, had he been guilty of doing such a day's work. He was worn out, ruffled in spirit, dejected. Dropping into a chair he waited for Mrs. Maybury.

A moment later he was greeted with an affectionate: "Well, how did it go?"

"How did it go! Look at me! Then ask such a question. Why, Agnes, I gave you credit for more intellect. Where, oh, where are your eyes? How did it go!

"Your campaigning will be the ruin of me. Why, I'm nearly dead now; couldn't feel more used up if I'd been in another 'sound money' parade. I never talked such a streak in my life. I'm sure the people around us thought I'd been drinking."

"For the once, then, woman found her equal (in conversation."

"Well, if you had seen me you wouldn't doubt my word. The second I slowed up to catch breath she would be at me with another question.

"Now, *why* couldn't you have given me a tip? She got me in a box at the start. Our stories conflicted, and how could it be helped when I knew no more of what she was talking than a wooden baby does when a youngster jabbers at it? You do have your notions, Agnes. If I could only have had hold of you this afternoon—well, it makes me shiver to think of it!

"But, pray, tell me now, what *has* happened to Winslow? I'd like to strangle him!"

"No, the campaign is too young. Wait and you shall see."

"Confound your campaign. I've washed my hands of it—don't make any mistake there."

"Oh, no, you haven't, and I'll tell you why. Mr. Winslow is to call here this evening about nine to see me on some business. Now, I've just received a note from Mrs. Ashmore, asking Anatale and myself to dine with her, as Mr. Asmore is out of town and she is alone. I must see Mr. Winslow, and I want you to entertain him until we are home again. We shall not be gone long after nine, so be sure to keep him."

Discussion was out of the question.

"Winslow, I'm glad to see you, old fellow. Have a cigar."

"Thanks, I will."

"Mrs. Maybury is dining out, but she'll be in shortly. Meantime, make yourself comfortable," Maybury added.

He had noticed the moment Winslow appeared that he also seemed nervous and excited, as if premeditating something. Maybury bided his time, however, and, true enough, Winslow had spoken but few words before it came.

"I'm dreadfully sorry," he remarked, about Anatale—Miss Morris. It came so like a shock."

"Heaven forbid it; but here's more campaigning," muttered Maybury, under his breath. "I wonder how long she'll keep me in torment."

"Yes," he answered, "'twas a great blow to all of us—and she so young, too, and beautiful."

"It's bad enough for a man, but to think of a young girl with every promise of the future. Why, it's terrible!"

Maybury thanked his lucky star that Winslow went off on such a tangent and asked no questions.

"We all have our troubles, greater or less, but it seems cruel that such a bit of personified goodness should fall heir to a lot more than her share."

"By the way, Mr. Maybury, how long ago did this happen? Do you know, I had never heard a word of it until today, when Mrs. Maybury was good enough to send for me and tell me all about the awful thing."

"I'm in for it again," mused Maybury. "Will she never come?"

"Well, I should say 'twas about a month ago that the worst of it occurred," he answered.

"Worst of it! Why, what do you mean? I thought it came on suddenly one night at a ball.

"Oh, so it did! I had quite forgotten the circumstances. Fell, I believe."

"Mrs. Maybury told me that her head come in contact with another girl's."

"I'm getting deeper and deeper. I wish I could fade away through a hole in the floor," thought Maybury.

"Does it irritate Miss Morris extremely?" again questioned Winslow.

"Yes, sometimes very much so."

"Well, does she ——"

"Pardon me one moment, please. I think I hear the carriage. She—Mrs. Maybury—is late."

"That was a narrow escape, Maybury, old boy. You're in for it today, dead sure. This is a hot campaign—there's no doubt about that," he muttered to himself, as he went towords the door.

"You're a jewel, Henry," Mrs. Maybury was saying. "And you've corralled him all right. Now, watch the finish."

"Will you tell me, in the name of all that's good and holy, what you mean by all this nonsense. Here I have Winslow talking to me of Anatale as if she were half dead, and this afternoon she would have delivered an eulogy on Winslow had I only given her a show. Please explain all this 'tommy rot.' The first you know, he'll be wearing crepe on his hat, and she'll be in widow's weeds."

"Have patience a trifle longer and you shall see."

"My patience is about used up already. Any ordinary man's would have been, with two people talking to him like blooming idiots."

"Yes, and any man of ordinary perception would have fallen to the whole thing before this. Now, there's but one step more to this campaign."

"Thank heaven," echoed Maybury.

"You are to go into the library, where I shall join you after sending Anatale into the drawing room. Harry is already there, and I don't think we will be much troubled in hearing what goes on."

Maybury, as usual, did as he was bid, and a moment later was joined by his wife. She was scarcely there when a dainty little trip hurried down the stair. They could follow it into the drawing room.

For a moment a horrible, death like stillness pervaded the whole house. Then, in a voice as loud, it seemed, as Anatale could summon she shrieked:

"I'm so sorry, Mr. ——"

But it was drowned by the deep, strong bass of Harry Winslow, who seemed also to have collected all his lung power. He shouted:

"You don't know how it pained me to hear of your misfortune."

"Why, what do you mean?" screeched back Anatale. "I understand you have had a terrible thing happen to you. I'm so sorry."

"Why do you yell at me like that?"

"And you?"

"Because ——"

"It's our cue, Maybury," remarked his wife. "We must appear and set things aright or there will be trouble, indeed. Now, can you see what al this 'tommy rot' was about—are your eyes at last open? And do you see any result of my campaign?"

Saying this, Mrs. Maybury threw back the doors and, with one hand raised above her head, commanded:

"Stop!"

The exclamations of the two, which were filling the house from top to bottom, ceased.

"It's a mistake on my part," she began, smiling, "and I'm willing to take all the blame. You are neither deaf; you are both well and are going to be happy. Now, Anatale and Harry, clasp hands, and tomorrow I want to know the date."

ALISON SKIPWORTH

Was born in London, Eng., and made her first appearance under the management of George Edwardes as a singer about five years ago. She appeared in "The Shop Girl," "The Artist's Model," and several other musical productions. She first came to America with "The Artist's Model," and played nearly every female role in it. At present she is appearing at the Lyceum Theatre as Deborah Sweadle, in "The Tree of Knowledge," her first appearance at this theatre having been as Mrs. Ware, in Pinero's comedy, "The Princess and the Butterfly."

THE HOT TOUCH.

Every man—that is, nearly every man—has been "touched," and therefore the explanation of a "touch" which is given herewith, is for the benefit of women and children who do not know. A "touch" is a "mace," a "strike," a "borrow," says *The Memphis Scimetar*. There are many different kinds of touches. There is the "hot touch," the "rush touch," which is the "hot touch's" twin brother; the "sympathy touch" and other kinds too numerous to mention.

A "hot" touch or "rush" touch is one that is made so quickly that the "toucher" gets the money he asks for before the "touchee" realizes what is happening.

The other day a "hot one" was made on a young man who was rather "near" with his money. The toucher in this case was an artist. He rushed up to the touchee with tears in his eyes and said: "I've got to go to Nashville, old man. My mother is dead. Please lend me ten."

"I'm awfully sorry to hear about your mother's death," said the stingy one, as he produced the ten. "When did she die?"

"Eighteen years ago," answered the toucher, as he pocketed the money and walked away.

DIETING ON THE SIDE.

A certain stout lady resolved to consult a physician about her corpulence. She had no previous experience with "banting" of any sort. The doctor drew up a careful dietary for her. She must eat dry toast, plain boiled beef, and a few other things of the same lean sort, and in a month return and report the result.

At the end of the time the lady came and was so stout she could hardly get through the door. The doctor was aghast.

"Did you eat what I told you?" he asked.

"Religiously," she answered.

His brow wrinkled in perplexity. Suddenly he had a flash of inspiration.

"Did you eat anything else?" he asked.

"Why, my ordinary meals!" said the lady.—*Pearson's Weekly.*

Theatrical.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

Monday Night's Openings in All the Big Show Towns.

GOLDEN GATE GLEANINGS.

Anna Held and "The Cat and the Cherub," James J. Corbett, "The Mummy" and "Ten Nights in a Barroom" the Current Offerings.

(Special Dispatch to The New York Clipper.)

SAN FRANCISCO, March 29.—At the Baldwin Theatre last night Anna Held appeared, and failed to win approval. "The Cat and the Cherub," which was given its first production here, was unfavorably compared with "The First Born,"

COLUMBIA THEATRE.—James J. Corbett made his first appearance here last night in "A Naval Cadet," before an audience that packed the house to the doors.

MOROSCO'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—"Ten Nights in a Barroom" was given here last night, before the usual large audience.

ALCAZAR THEATRE.—"The Mummy" was given by the stock last night in a creditable manner, and won approval from the large audience present.

TIVOLI OPERA HOUSE.—Last week's bill holds over.

ORPHEUM THEATRE.—The Five Whirlwinds, Montgomery and Stone, George H. Wood, the Gilsandos and Watson, Hutchings and Edwards were the new comers here last night, and they scored well with the large audience that crowded the house to its utmost capacity.

CARRIE ROMA has been engaged for an early appearance at the Tivoli.

FROM OTHER POINTS.

"Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush" Originally Acted at Albaugh's Lafayette Square Opera House, Washington — "Eine Wilde Lache" Receives Its First American Performance at the Pabst Theatre, Milwaukee—The Columbia Theatre, St. Louis, Dedicated to Vaudeville—Nervous Prostration and Heart Failure Make Fanny Davenport's Condition Serious.

(Special Dispatches to The New York Clipper.)

WASHINGTON, March 29.—"Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush," a new comedy drama, in four acts, dramatized from Ian McLaren's (Rev. John Watson, D. D.) stories "Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush," "The Days of Auld Lang Syne" and "Kate Carnazie," received its premier last night at Albaugh's Lafayette Square Opera House, to an audience remarkable alike for its intelligence and size. It is a pure, wholesome and delightful comedy drama, and will doubtless prove memorable among those plays that appeal to the heart while delighting the eye.....William Gillette and his admirable company appeared at Rapley's National Theatre in his great comedy success, "Too Much Johnson," to an audience which tested the capacity. This week is the only appearance of the present company in this play prior to its departure for London, Eng., where it opens at the Garrick Theatre on April 14. The comedy went as it never did before, and the week promises large financial as well as artistic results.....Augustin Daly's Comedy Company opened a week's engagement at Luckett & Dwyer's Columbia Theatre last night, in "Number Nine," with a curtain raiser, entitled "The Subtleties of Jealousy." The audience was very large, and the enjoyment was complete..... "At Piney Ridge" commenced a return engagement at Rapley's Academy of Music. The previous engagement of this production evidently served as an appetizer, for the house last night was crowded by a delighted audience.....Al. W. Martin's spectacular production of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" served as a strong magnet at Kernan & Rife's Grand Opera House. It is a magnificent revival of this time worn drama, and seemed to please just the same as in days gone by. The house was crowded, and undoubtedly it will be equally prosperous all the week.....Vanity Fair, supplemented by a veriscope picture of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight, had a following at Kernan's Lyceum which tested the capacity. These are the same pictures which were exhibited at one of our first class theatres early in the present season.....Florence Moore and a dozen or more vaudeville people opened the week with two performances at the Bijou yesterday. On both occasions the house was crowded, and the same state of affairs can be confidently predicted for the week.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—The week has opened well here, with good bills at all the houses. A miniature tornado Sunday afternoon hurt the business for the day, but Monday night saw well filled seats at most of the theatres.....It is reported that H. Coulter Brinker, who has been in the Imperial stock company all the season, will be seen no more at that house.....The Century opened with "My Friend from India." It was a clever presentation and well attended, an agreeable change from the rather slim houses that witnessed the last weeks of "The Girl from Paris.".....At the Olympic Lewis Morrison opened Sunday night in his new play, "The Master of Ceremonies." His work was superb, but it was witnessed by a rather slim house. It seems more and more that high class productions gain little by a Sunday opening. Monday evening saw a good house to witness the same piece.....The Imperial puts on "The Rivals" this week, and it is well staged and well played. The attendance was as large as usual. Vaudeville features were Irene Franklin and the animated music sheet, and Zelma Rawlston.....At Hopkins' the stock company presented Gillett's "All the Comforts of Home." The vaudeville is especially good, and consists of Harry Armstrong and the animated music sheet, the Clemence Trio, Bogart and O'Brien, Lew Hawkins and the biograph. The house was well filled.....At the Columbia, our new theatre, crowded houses witnessed the opening on Saturday night, and have attended every subsequent performance. The house itself is one of the largest, and, perhaps, the prettiest in St. Louis. It will run high class vaudeville solely. The attractions for the current week are Gardner and Ely, the Nondescript Trio, Fillis' Dogs, Carter DeHaven, Lizzie Derious Daly and the animated music sheet, Welby, Pearl, Keys and Nellis, the Dancing Quartet, the biograph and the Hungarian Boys' Military Band.....At Havlin's a large audience witnessed "Two Little Vagrants." It was a performance in every way satisfactory. A rose matinee is given Thursday afternoons.....At the Standard Bryant and Watson's American Burlesquers put on one of the best burlesque productions ever seen at that house. The jokes are new, the costumes chick and the girls pretty. Bryant and Watson themselves are clever comedians, and the whole show has enough "ginger" to electrify the most *blase* bald head in the house.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Fanny Davenport is very low with nervous prostration and heart failure. Her relatives were sent for Sunday, but since then she has rallied slightly and her physician hopes that the danger has passed. E. S. Willard is still seriously ill, although in no immediate danger.....The week opened rather light, with no novelties, unpleasant weather and moderate business. The stock experiment at the Great Northern started out with bright prospects of success. A good house was at first performance of "Held by the Enemy." There was evidence of insufficient preparation in the production, but Minnie Seligman and Robert Drouet, in the leading roles; Verner Clarges, Albert Gran, Frederick Conger and the rest of the company acquitted themselves creditably on the whole..... Thomas W. Keene played "Richard III" Sunday and "Richelieu" Monday night, to fair business, at McVicker's.....A Milk White Flag" was voted still funny and entertaining by a large audience at the Grand....."Never Again" did quite well at the Columbia, in spite of its long run in Chicago last Summer and the slight deterioration of the cast. ....."The Geisha" returned to the Schiller, and comfortable receipts were checked up.....Robert Mantell, in "A Secret Warrant," did well at the Lincoln. The picturesque play appeared to please the audience.....Steve Brodie's combination, in "A Night at Steve Brodie's," attracted a good house to the Alhambra.....W. H. Power, in "Shannon of the Sixth," filled the Bijou.....Hal Reid's "Human Hearts" did well at the Academy.....The Clark Street Theatre played on the war spirit with "The "Volunteer" with fair success.....Crowds were turned away from the Chicago Opera House the first night of performance of Vesta Tilley and Lew Dockstader.....The Olympic was packed, the Nawns heading the bill. .....Charles A. Gardner topped the attractive list which filled the Haymarket.....Sam T. Jack did good business with "Chow Chow," Mlle. Jonore and a specialty bill.....Baroness Blanc, in tights, and "A French Queen," the burlesque, were strong magnets at the Gaiety.....Fay Foster's Burlesquers did a fair business at the Savoy.

PHILADELPHIA, March 29.—Affairs theatrical took a decided turn for the better last night, and if the week fulfills the promise of the opening night good profits will be realized at the majority of the houses. ....."The Moth and the Flame" had a well filled house at the Broad, while "The French Maid" crowded the Chestnut Street Theatre....."A Stranger in New York" took on a new lease of life at the Opera House, the audience being large.....At the Walnut May Irwin, in "The Swell Miss Fitzwell," attracted enough people to completely fill the seating capacity.....A good house at the Park appreciated an excellent performance of "Uncle Tom's Cabin.".....With all the attaches in uniform, guards about the door and any amount of accoutrements distributed in the foyer, the Grand presented a very martial appearance. "Shenandoah" was excellently played and an audience which contained many army, navy and G. A. R. men crowded the house.....A good sized house enjoyed "McFadden's Row of Flats" at the National.....The stock company acquitted themselves well in "Northern Lights," which attracted two large houses to Forepaugh's..... "The Electrician," at the People's, had good attendance.....A clever performance of "The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown" delighted a crowded house at the Girard....."Old Glory" had good afternoon and evening attendance at the Standard.....The Bijou was kept filled by a splendid vaudeville bill.....Modjeska opened her engagement at the Auditorium with "Mary Stuart," before a good sized audience.....Dumont's Minstrels, at the Eleventh; "European Sensation," at the Lyceum; "London Belles," at the Trocadero, and "The White Crook," at the Kensington, all had a liberal share of patronage, while the Museum entertained large numbers.

BOSTON, March 29.—The varied attractions offered at our local theatres last evening served to draw excellent patronage, and audiences of generous proportions were present at the several theatres. At the Hollis Street Theatre Julia Arthur, in "A Lady of Quality," was given a very enthusiastic reception, as was also Digby Bell, in "The Hoosier Doctor," at the Tremont Theatre.....The welcome accorded the Boston Lyric Co. at the Grand Opera House, where they begun in "Dorothy" their two months' engagement, was of the warmest nature, and the opera was rendered in a most acceptable manner.....Attractions at the other houses were also well received, and are as follow: Castle Square Theatre, "Christopher Jr.;" Columbia Theatre, Cora Tanner, in "Alone in London;" Park Theatre, "What Happened to Jones?" Boston Theatre, "The Old Homestead;" Boston Museum, "Jack and the Beanstalk;" Bowdoin Square Theatre, "Camille." .....Keith's, the Palace and the other minor houses had their usual run of paying patronage.

CINCINNATI, March 29.—The Baggetto Italian Opera Company opened in "La Boheme" at the Grand Monday night, and the theatre was well filled....."The Ensign," presented by the stock company, proved a magnet, and the Walnut Street was crowded Sunday.....Jessie Mae Hall, in "The Princess of Patches," played to good patronage at the Fountain.....At the Pike the Nell Stock Company, in "The Banker's Daughter," was greeted by good sized audiences....."S. R. O." was displayed at the People's, where Mlle. Ani's Monarchs hold the boards.....At Heuck's fair sized houses attended "When London Sleeps.".....The Brady Stock Company, in "Ranch 10," did a good business at the Star.....The Damrosch-Ellis Opera Company opened their four days' engagement at Music Hall Monday night, and drew well. "Tannhauser" was presented.

MILWAUKEE, March 29.—"Gayest Manhattan" opened Sunday afternoon at the Bijou, to a large house. At an early hour in the evening everything was sold out and standing room only procurable. Last night was a repetition of Sunday.....The Star Specialty Company has played to heavy business at the Alhambra at all three performances. The company is an unusually strong one....."Eine Wilde Lache," as its name implies, is a wild affair, with no plot, but quite capable of serving the purpose of amusement. It was given at the Pabst Theatre night of March 27, and its initial production in this country may be considered successful, a large audience being in attendance.

KANSAS CITY, March 29.—Only two houses open this week and both had all they could handle Sunday. At the Grand Chas. H. Yale's "Devil's Auction" had a packed matinee and S. R. O. at night. The show is fully up to the Yale standard and gave great satisfaction.....At the Orpheum two jammed houses saw a great vaudeville bill, in which Adgie, the Cuban lion queen; Maude Beal Price, the Clerise Sisters, and Joe and Nellie Doner were the features.

LOUISVILLE, March 29.—John Griffith, in "Faust," appeared Sunday and last night to good houses. .....The Meffert Stock Company, at the Temple, presented "Shall We Forgive Her?" to two good audiences yesterday.....Irwin Brothers' Venetian Burlesquers opened Sunday to crowded houses. A good sized audience was present last night..... Macauly's is dark.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Charlotte.—The Blue Mountain Joe Show continues to draw large crowds nightly. Clayton, the strong man, is the particular star at present. Prof. Thompson made another balloon ascension Saturday afternoon, March 26.....Edwin Travers presents "The Private Secretary" 28 and "A Jolly Night" 29....The Latta Park Auditorium is being rapidly completed. F. D. Sampson and Nat Gray, of Charlotte Opera House, will run this place during the season. A good many attractions have been billed for the Summer season.

On the Road.

All Routes Must Reach Us Not Later Than Monday.

DRAMATIC.

Akerstrom's, Ullie—Elmira, N. Y., March 28-April 2, Carbondale, Pa., 4-9.
Adams, Maud—N. Y. City March 28, indefinite.
Arthur's, Julia—Boston, Mass., March 28-April 9.
Agnott, June—Sharon, Pa., March 28-April 2, Greenville 4-9.
Arnold Fun Makers—Gas City, Ind., March 28-April 2, Brazil 4-9.
Acme Comedy—Coleman, Tex., March 28-April 2, Comanche 4-9.
Angell's Comedians—Schuyler, Neb., March 28-April 2, North Bend 4-9.
"At Piney Ridge"—Washington, D. C., March 28-April 2, Philadelphia, Pa., 4-9.
Byron's, Oliver—Newport News, Va., March 30.
Blair's, Eugenie—Cleveland, O., March 28-April 2.
Bartlett Stock—Pipestone, Minn., March 28-April 2.
Benoir, Cleo—Appleton, Wis., March 28-April 2, Madison 4-9.
Bennett-Moulton—Troy, N. Y., March 28-April 2, Albany 4-9.
Bell's, Digby—Boston, Mass., March 28-April 9.
Bidwell, Sylvia—Valparaiso, Ind. March 4-6, La Porte 7-9.
Barbour Theatre—De Kalb, Ill., March 28-April 2, Sycamore 4-9.
Baldwin-Melville—New Orleans, La., March 28, indefinite.
Bryan's Comedians—Merrill, Wis., March 28-April 2, Wanson 4-9
"Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush"—Washington, D. C., March 28-April 2.
"Ballet Girl"—N. Y. City March 28-April 2, Brooklyn, N. Y., 4-9.
"Boy Wanted," Eastern—Albany, N. Y., March 30, Lynn, Mass., April 2.
"Big Heart"—Saranac Lake, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
"Baggage Check"—Erie, Pa., April 2, Akron, O., 5.
"Blue Jeans"—Baltimore, Md., March 28-April 2, St. Louis, Mo., 4-9.
"Bachelor's Honeymoon"—Grand Forks, N. D., March 30, Duluth, Minn., April 4.
"Brother for Brother"—Paducah, Ky., March 31, Evansville, Ind., April 1, Chicago, Ill., 4-9.
"Boy Wanted," Western—Pueblo, Col., March 30, Park City, Utah, April 1, Ogden 2, Salt Lake City 4-9.
"Black Sheep"—Titusville, Pa., March 30, Jamestown, N. Y., 31.
"Brand of Cain"—Washington, D. C., April 4-9.
"Breezy Time," Southern—Des Moines, Ia., March 30, Boone 31, Ames April 1, Aldora 4, Webster City 5, Fort Dodge 6.
"Breezy Time," Eastern—Ionia, Mich., March 30., Muskegon April 2, Ludington 5, Manistee 6, Traverse City 7.
Crane's, W. H.—N. Y. City March 28-April 9.
Chase-Lister—Keokuk, Ia., March 28-April 2, Fort Madison 4-9.
Columbia Comedy—St. Ignace, Mich., March 28-April 2, Cheboygan 4-6, West Branch 7-9.
Chester, Alma—Paterson, N. J., March 28-April 9.
Clement's, Clay—St. Paul, Minn., March 30, Minneapolis 31-April 2.
Clarke, Creston—N. Y. City April 4-9.
Cunningham & Fahrney—Jachson, Mich., March 30.
Claxton's, Kate—Pittsburg, Pa., March 28-April 2, Jersey City N. J., 4-9.
Coombs, Jane—Seattle, Wash., March 28-April 2.
Corbett's, James J.—San Francisco, Cal., March 28-April 2.
Crane's Players—New Britain, Ct., March 28-April 2, Danbury 4-9.
"Contented Woman"—Rochester, N. Y., March 30, Geneva 31, Syracuse April 1, 2.
"Cherry Pickers"—Springfield, Ill., March 30, Bloomington 31, Decatur April 1, Terre Haute, Ind., 2, Indianapolis 4-6, Muncie 7, Richmond 8, Hamilton, O., 9.
"Cumberland '61"—Oswego, N. Y., March 30, Rochester 31-April 2.
"Cuba's Vow"—Indianapolis, Ind., March 30, Dayton, O., 31-April 2.
"Chimmie Fadden"—Grand Rapids, Mich., March 30.
"Curse of Gold"—St. Paul, Minn., March 28-April 2, Minneapolis 4-9.
"Coon Hollow"—Columbus, O., March 30, Indianapolis, Ind., 31-April 2.
Drew's, John—N. Y. City March 28-April 2.
Donnelly & Girard's—Marion, Ind., March 30, Zanesville, O., April 1.
Dixey's, Henry E.—Montreal, Can., March 28-April 2, N. Y. City 4-9.
Downing's, R. L.—Canton, O., April 1, Steubenville 5.
Dillon's, John—Falls City, Neb., March 31, Tecumseh April 2, Beatrice 4, Fairbury 5, Hebron 6, Nelson 7, Superior 8, Red Cloud 9.
"Dazzler"—Saginaw, Mich., March 30, Flint 31, Lansing April 1, Sandusky, O., 2, Ashtabula 4, Geneva, N. Y., 6.
"Darkest Russia"—Guelph, Ont., March 31, Hamilton April 1, 2, Toronto 4-9.
"Devil's Auction"—Kansas City, Mo., March 28-April 2.
Elroy Stock—Ashland, Pa., March 28-April 2, Allentown 4-9.
Eldon's Comedians—Peoria, Ill., March 28-April 2, Tremont 4-9.
Emmett's, Katie—Adrian, Mich., March 30, Mansfield, O., 31-April 2.
Empire Stock—Dunkirk, Ind., March 28-April 2, Bryan, O., 4-9.
Earle's, Graham—Ottawa, Kan., March 28-April 2.
Empire Theatre, Frohman's—N. Y. City March 28, indefinite.
"Electrician"—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 2, N. Y. City 4-9.
"Eight Bells"—Lewisburg, Pa., March 31.
Fiske's, Mrs.—N. Y. City March 28, indefinite.
Ferris' Comedians—Mt. Carmel, Ill., March 28-April 12.
French, Irving—Mt. Vernon, O., March 30-April 2.
"French Maid"—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 9.
"Fabio Romani"—Algona, Ia., March 30.
"Faust," Morrison's—Bloomington, Ill., April 2, Decatur 4, Pana 5, Mattoon 6, Paris 7, Brazil, Ind., 9.
"Faust," Griffith's—Louisville, Ky., March 28-April 2.
"Foundling"—Brooklyn, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
Goodwin's, N. C.—San Antonio, Tex., March 30, Austin 31, Waco April 1, Ft. Worth 2, Dallas 4, Shreveport, La., 5, Vicksburg, Miss., 6, Meridian 7, Selma, Ala., 8, Montgomery 9.
Green's, Joseph—Chester, Pa., March 28-April 2, Lancaster 4-9.
Gilmore & Leonard's "Hogan's Alley"—Minneapolis, Minn., March 28-April 2.
Gorman Bros.'—Rome, N. Y., March 30, Norwich 31, Oneonta April 1, Schenectady 2.
Gibney Comedy—Rock Island, Ill., March 28-April 2.
"Girl I Left Behind Me"—Waco, Tex., March 30, Fort Worth 31, Dallas April 1, 2, Shreveport, La., 4, Hot Springs, Ark., 5, Little Rock 6.
"Gay Matinee Girl"—Winfield, Kan., March 30, El Dorado 31, Olathe April 2, Kansas City, Mo., 4-9.
"Girl from Paris"—New Orleans, La., March 28-April 2, Memphis, Tenn., 4-6, Nashville 7-9.
"Girl from Paris"—Buffalo, N. Y., March 30, Albany April 1, N. Y. City 4-9.
"Guilty Mother"—Newark, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
"Geisha"—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 2, Kalamazoo, Mich., 4.
Hillman's, Maude—Bradford, Pa., March 28-April 2.
Himmelhein's Ideals—Bradford, Pa., March 28-April 2.
Henshaw & Ten Broeck—Eau Claire, Wis., March 30.
Harland's Dramatic—Racine, Wis., March 28-April 2.
Holmes, Lawrence—Lincoln, Neb., March 28-April 2.
Herrmann, Leon and Adelaide—Brooklyn, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
Holmes, Harold—Yorkville, S. C., March 30, Gastonia, N. C., April 1, 2, Concord 4, High Point 5, 6.
Harrigan, Edward—Ogden, Utah, March 30, San Francisco, Cal., 4-16.
Holden Comedy—Bloomington, Ill., March 28-April 2.
Hall's, Jessie Mae—Cincinnati, O., March 28-April 2.
"Human Hearts"—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 2.
"Heart of Chicago," Eastern—Athol, Mass., March 30, Greenfield 31, Northampton April 1, Lawrence 2, Turner's Falls, Vt., 4, Bellows Falls 5, Portland, Me., 6, St. Albans, Vt., 8, Plattsburg 9.
"Hot Old Time"—Detroit, Mich., March 28-April 2, Chicago, Ill., 4-9.
"Hired Girl"—Kearney, Neb., March 30, North Platte 31, Cheyenne, Wyo., April 1, Greely, Col., 2, Denver 4-9.
"His Excellency"—Florence, S. C., March 30, Sumter 31, Camden April 1, Newberry 2, Greenwood 4, Elberton, Ga., 5.
"Humanity"—Washington, D. C., April 4-9.
"In Old Madrid"—Price, Utah, March 30, Grand Junction, Col., 31, April 1, Delta 2, Montrose 4, Ouray 5, Telluride 6, Rica 7, Durango 8, Silverton 9.
"In Old Kentucky"—Providence, R. I., March 28-April 2.
"In Gay New York"—N. Y. City March 28, indefinite.
James', Louis—N. Y. City March 28-April 2.
Janauschek, Mme.—Philadelphia, Pa., April 4-9.
Jefferson's, Joseph—Buffalo, N. Y., April 4, Rochester 5.
"Jolly Night"—Brenham, Tex., March 30, Houston 31, Beaumont April 1, Lake Charles, La., 2, New Orleans 4-9.
"Jay in New York"—Saratoga, Cal., March 30, Stockton April 1, 2.
"Jack and the Beanstalk"—Boston, Mass., March 28-April 2.
"Joshua Simpkins"—Wheeling, W. Va., March 30, Massillon, O., April 1.
Keene's, Thos. W.—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 2, Ottumwa, Ia., 4, Des Moines 5, Rock Island, Ill., 6, Clinton, Ia., 7, Dubuque 8, Waterloo 9.
Klimt-Herne—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 2.
Kelcey-Shannon—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 9.
King Dramatic—Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 28-April 2.
Kennedy's Players—Pittsfield, Mass., March 28-April 2, Springfield 4-9.
Kellar—Binghamton, N. Y., April 2.
Lilliputians—Cleveland, O., March 28-April 2, Pittsburg, Pa., 4-9.
Lyons' Comedy—Taylorville, Ill., March 28-April 2, Pana 4-9.
Lewis', Dorothy—Clinton, Ill., April 1, Chicago 4-9.
Lyceum Stock—N. Y. City, March 28-April 2, Brooklyn, N. Y., 4-9.
Le Royle's, Hennessy—Ann Arbor, Mich., March 30, Ypsilanti 31, Pontiac April 1, Flint 2.
Lyceum Theatre, Sharpley's—McPherson, Kan., April 4-9.
Lee's Comedians—Barne's Corners, N. Y., March 28-April 2, Rodman 4-9.
"Little Trixie"—Menominee, Mich., March 30, Green Bay, Wis., 31, Kankawa April 1, Manitowoc 2, Sheboygan 3, Fon du Lac 4, Berlin 5, Ripon 6, Jefferson 7, Beloit 8, Woodstock, Ill., 9.
"Last Stroke"—Providence, R. I., April 4-9.
Morrison's Lewis—St. Louis, Mo., March 28-April 2, Terre Haute, Ind., 4, 5, Springfield, Ill., 6, La Fayette, Ind., 7, Muskegon, Mich., 9.
Monroe's, Geo. W.—Montgomery, Ala., March 30, Nashville, Tenn., 31-April 2.
Macaulay-Patton—Chillicothe, O., March 28-April 2, Greenfield, 4-9.
Mantell's, R. B.—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 2, La Salle, Ill., 3, Davenport, Ia., 4, Iowa City, 5, Des Moines, 6, Omaha, Neb., 7-9.
Mansfield, Richard—Pittsburg, Pa., March 28-April 2, Washington, D. C., 4-9.
Maxam & Sights' Comedians—Eaton Rapids Mich. March 28-April 2, Hastings, 4-9.
Mack's Andrew—Jersey City, N. J., March 28-April 2, Washington, D. C., 4-9.
Meiser Stock—Roodhouse, Ill., April 4.
Miller-Sisson-Wallace—Richmond, Va., March 30.
Miller's Theatre—Tipton, Ia., March 28-April 2, Erie, Ill., 4-9.
Miles' Ideal Stock—Paterson, N. J., April 4-9.
Marks Bros.'—Duluth, Minn., March 28-April 2.
Modjeska, Mme.—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 2.
Mills', Josie—Salem, O., March 28-April 2.
Marlowe, Julia—Newark, N. J., March 28-April 2.
Miller's, Henry—N. Y. City March 28, indefinite.
Mather, Margeret—Norfolk, Va., March 31, Richmond April 1, 2.
Murray & Mack—Lynn, Mass., March 30, Nashua, N. H., 31, Lawrence, Mass., April 1, Haverhill 2.
Madison Square—Florence, Col., March 28-April 9.
Meyer-Thorne—Addison Pa., March 28-April 2.
Mohawk, Go-Won-Go—N. Y. City March 28 indefinite.
"Monte Carlo"—N. Y. City March 28 indefinite.
"My Boys"—Mt. Carmel, Pa., March 30, Hazelton 31, Wilkesbarre April 1, Scranton 2.
"Mysterious Mr. Bugle"—Los Angeles, Cal., March 30-April 2, Fresno 4, Stockton 5, San Jose 6, Oakland 7, Sacramento 8 Maryville 9.
"McGinty the Sport"—Butte, Mont., April 4-9.
"Milk White Flag"—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 9.
"Miss Francis of Yale"—Omaha, Neb., March 30, Atchison, Kan., 31, Topeka April 1, 2, Fort Scott 5.
"My Friend from India"—Maunch Chunk, Pa., March 30, Elizabeth, N. J., 31, Middletown, N. Y., April 1.
"McFadden's Row of Flats"—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 2, Baltimore, Md., 4-9.
"Man From Mexico"—N. Y. City, March 28-April 2, Boston, Mass., 4-indefinite.
"My Friend from India"—St. Louis, Mo., March 28-April 2.
"Never Again"—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 9.
"Night Off"—Brenham, Tex., March 30, Houston 31, Beaumont April 1, Lake Charles, La., 2, New Orleans 4-9.
"Northern Lights"—Brooklyn, N. Y., April 4-9.
O'Neill's' James—Denver Col., March 28-April 2.
Olcott's, Chauncey—Louisville, Ky., March 31-April 2, St. Louis, Mo., 4-9.
Otis, Elita Proctor—N. Y. City March 28-April 2, Newark, N. J., 4-9.
"Old Homestead," Thompson's—Boston, Mass., March 28-April 9.
"Ole Olson"—Duluth, March 30.
"Our Flat"—Muscatine, Ia., March 30, West Liberty 31, Cedar Rapids April 1, Ottawa, Ill., 2, Chicago, 4-9.
"Old Farmer Hopkins"—Washington, N. C., March 30, Williamston 31, Elizabeth City April 1, Edenton 2, Tarboro 4, Rock Mountain 5
"Old Coat"—Scranton, Pa., March 31, Binghamton, N. Y., April 1, N. Y. City 4 indefinite.
"Oh! Susannah!"—N. Y. City March 28-April 2.
Payton's, Corse—Taunton, Mass., March 28-April 2, Fall River 4-9.
Payton's, Corse, Stock—New London, Ct., March 28-April 2, Lynn, Mass., 4-9.
Pringle, Johnnie—St. Paul, Neb., March 28-April 2, Loup City 4-9.
Peruchie—Belleni—Charleston, S. C., March 28-April 2.
Phelp's Comedians—Coshocton, N. Y., March 28-April 2, Mt. Marris 4-9.
"Pudd'nhead Wilson" Mayo—Brockport, Mass., March 30, Plymouth 31, Fall River April 1, New Bedford 2.
"Pacific Mail"—N. Y. City, March 28, April 2, Cleveland, O., 4-9.
"Prodigal Father"—Chicago, Ill., April 4-9.
"Peck's Bad Boy"—Newark, N. J., April 4-9.
"Prisoner of Zenda"—Paterson, N. J., April 1, 2.
"Pulse of New York"—Bridgeport, Ct., March 31-April 2.
Russell's, Sol Smith—New Haven, Ct., March 30 Hartford 31, Waterbury April 1, Bridgeport 2, Providence, R. I., 4-6, Elizabeth, N. J., 8.
Rice's Comedians—Newburyport, Mass., March 28-April 2.
Robertson, Punch—Savannah, Ga., March 28-April 2, Columbus 4-9.
Raymond's, Sadie—Cambridge, O., March 30.
Robson's, Stuart—Erie, Pa., March 30, Buffalo, N. Y., 31-April 2.
Reed's, Roland—Davenport, Ia., March 31, Burlington April 1, Quincy 2, St. Louis, Mo., 4-9.
Ryan, Dan'l, R.—Burlington, Vt., March 28-April 2, Johnstown, N. Y., 4-9.
Renard, Rachel—Hoboken, N. J., March 28-April 2.
Rankin, McKee, Stock—N. Y. City March 28-April 2, Baltimore, Md., 4-9.
Rober's, Katherine—Boston, Mass., April 4-9.
Rice's, Fanny—Pittsburg, Pa., March 28-April 2, Greensburg 4, Altoona 5.
Robon & Douglass—Belleville, Can., April 2.
"Real Widow Brown"—Delphos, O., March 30.
"Royal Box"—Brooklyn, N. Y., March 28-April 2, N. Y. City 4-9.
Sothern's, E. H.—Baltimore, Md., March 28-April 2, Washington, D. C., 4-9.
Skinner's, Otis—Hartford, Ct., April 1, 2.
Shannon's, Harry—Fonda, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
Shea's, Thos. E.—East Liverpool, O., March 28-April 2, Baltimore, Md., 4-9.
Sherman, Robert—Monroe City, Mo., March 28-April 2, Brookfield 4-9.
Shearer's, Tommy—Saratoga, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
Spooner's Dramatic—Grand Island, Neb., March 28-April 2, Broken Bow 4-9.
Spooners, The—Hartford, Ct., March 28-April 2, Newburg, N. Y., 4-9.
Sully's, Dan—Portland, Ore., April 1.
Sawtelle Dramatic—Scranton, Pa., March 28-April 2.
Spear's Comedians—Belfast, Me., March 30, Gardiner 31, April 1, Togus 2.
"Stranger in New York"—Lowell, Mass., March 30, Lawrence 31, Leominster April 1, Gardner 2, Clinton 4, Worcester 5, 6, New Bedford 7, Taunton 8, Brockton 9.
"Sowing the Wind"—Fall River, Mass., March 30.
"Stranger in New York"—Victoria, B. C., March 30, 31, Seattle, Wash., April 4, 5, Portland, Ore., 6-8.
"Stranger in New York"—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 2, Altoona 5.
"Southern Kid"—Water Valley, Wis., March 30, Oxford 31, Holly Springs April 1, Jackson, Tenn., 4.
"Shannon of the Sixth"—Chicago, Ill., March 28-April 2.
"Side Tracked," Western—Sioux Falls, S. D., March 30, Canton 31, Yankton April 1, Norfolk, Neb., 2, Long Pine 4, Fort Niobrara 5, Valentine 6, Chadron 7, Rapid City, S. D., 8, Sturgis 9.
"Shall We Forgive Her?"—Louisville, Ky., March 28-April 2
"Shore Acres," Herne—San Jose, Cal., March 30, Oakland 31-April 2, San Francisco 4-16.
"Sign of the Cross"—Columbus, O., March 30, Toledo 31-April 2.
"Side Tracked," Eastern—New Haven, Ct., March 30.
"Sunshine of Paradise Alley"—Brooklyn, N. Y., March 28-April 9.
"Si Plunkard"—Emporia, Kan., March 31, Burlington April 1, Chanute 2, Independence 4, Neodesha 5, Cherry Vail 6, Oswego 7, Parsons 8, Pittsburg 9.
"Swell Miss Fitzwell"—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 2.
"Shore Acres," No. 2—St. Joseph, Mo., March 30, 31, Lexington April 1, Sedalia 2, Alton, Ill., 4, Springfield 5, Jacksonville 6, Hannibal, Mo., 7, Quincy, Ill., 8, Galesburg 9.
"Span of Life"—Brooklyn, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
"Superba"—Dayton, O., March 30, 31, Mansfield April 2, Guelph, Ont., 7.
"Sporting Duchess"—Lancaster, Pa., March 30, Altoona April 1.
Tanner, Cora—Boston, Mass., March 28-April 2.
Toole's, John E.—Nashville, Tenn., March 31-April 2.
Tucker's, Lillian—Birmingham, Ala., March 28-April 2.
Tuttle, Clair—Windfall, Pa., March 28-April 2.
"Trip to Chinatown"—St. Louis, Mo., April 4-9.
"Town Topics"—Portland, Ore., March 28-April 2, Seattle, Wash., 4-9.
"Two Much Johnson," Gillette's—Washington, D. C., March 28-April 2.
"Texas Steer"—Anaconda, Mont., March 30, Butte 31-April 2, Great Falls 4, Helena 5, Missoula 6, Wallace, Idaho, 7, Spokane, Wash., 8, 9.
"Thoroughbred"—Edwardsville, Ill., April 1, Litchfield 2, Effingham 4.
"Tennessee's Pardner"—Palmer, Mass., March 30, Springfield 31, Pittsfield April 1, Gloversville, N. Y., 2, Syracuse 4-6, Hartford, Ct., 7-9.
"Tarrytown Widow"—Elizabeth, N. J., March 30.
"Two Little Vagrants"—St. Louis, Mo., March 28-April 2.
"Telephone Girl"—Brooklyn, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
"Under the Dome," Western—Denver, Col., March 28-April 2, Lincoln, Neb., 8.
"Under the Red Robe"—Providence, R. I., March 28-April 2.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Stowe's—Kingston, Can., March 30, Ottawa 31-April 2, Montreal 3-9.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Al. W. Martin's—Washington, D. C., March 28-April 2.
"Unknown"—Rochester, N. Y., March 28-April 2.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Davis'—Sandusky, O., April 9.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Stetson's—Greenfield, O., March 30.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Harkins & Barbour's—Philadelphia, Pa., March 28-April 2, N. Y. City 4-9.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Webber's—Newark, N. J., March 28-April 2.
"Uncle Josh Spruceby"—Quincy, Ill., March 30.
Van Tassell's, Cora—Rome, Ga., March 28-April 2.
Van Dyke & Eatons'—Frankfort, Ind., March 31-April 6.
Van Osten's Tri-Star—Elmira, N. Y., April 4-9.
Wilson's, Frederick—Zanesville, O., March 28-April 2, Mansfield 4-9.
Warner Comedy—Haola, Kan., March 28-April 2.
Whiteside's, Walker—Detroit, Mich., March 28-April 2.
Waite Comedy, Eastern—Northampton, Mass., March 28-April 9.
Waite Comedy, Western—Plainfield, N. J., March 28-April 2, Orange 4-9.
Warde's, Fred'k—Portland, Ore., March 30.
Wood's, N. S.—New Haven, Ct., March 31-April 2.
Wade's Comedians—Fayette, Mo., April 1, 2, Huntsville 4-6, Moberly 7-9.
Warren Comedy—Fairmount, W. Va., March 28-April 2, Martin's Ferry, O., 4-9.
Woodward Theatre—Omaha, Mo., March 28, indefinite.
Ward & Vokes'—Buffalo, N. Y., March 28-April 2, Pittsburg, Pa., 4-9.
"When His Wife's Away"—Carthage, N. Y., March 30, Antwerp 31, Watertown April 1, Gouveneur 2, Canton 4, Potsdam 5, Norwood 6.
"When London Sleeps"—Cincinnati, O., March 28-April 2.
"White Slave"—Dayton, O., March 30, Wheeling, W. Va., 31-April 2.
"What Happened to Jones"—Butte, Mont., March 30.
"What Happened to Jones"—Boston, Mass., March 28-April 2, New Haven, Ct., 8, 9.
"White Heather"—N. Y. City March 28, indefinite.
"Way Down East"—N. Y. City March 28, indefinite.
"World Against Her," Agnes Wallace-Villa's—Cleveland, O., March 28-April 2, Cincinnati 4-9.
"What Happened to Jones"—Baltimore, Md., March 28-April 2, Philadelphia, Pa., 4-9.
"Widow Jones"—N. Y. City March 28-April 2.
Young's, James—Jackson, Miss., March 30, Vicksburg 31, Natchez April 1.

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Helston Sisters
Herworth, Jessie
Hayward, Maud
Hughes, Mamie
Hart, Sadie
Huntington, Grace
Heironimus, Mrs. F.
Haynes, Gertrude
Hoyt, Ella
Houdini, Mrs. B.
Helston, Lottie

Ince, Mrs. J. E.
Irving, Bella
Irwin, Lillian M.
Ingraham, Rose
Irene, Millie

Judkins, Miss

Knott, Lillian
Kalt, Mrs. Chas.
Kelcey, Georgie A.
King, Belle
Kingsland, Myrtle
King, Miss L.
Kirkendahl, Mrs. B
Kasten, Rose A.
Kissinger, Marie

Lavender, Mrs. Geo.
Leslie, Lulu
Lewis, Ida
Le Vyne, Lettie
Leary Sisters
Laidon, Emma
La Mont, Ollie
Leslie, Beatrice
Lancaster, Louise
Lawrence, Emma
La Brie, May E.
Langdon, Lillian
Lola, Ella
Lamar, Ada
Larsen, Gussie
La Moyne, Carrie
LeRoy, Mrs. Walter
Lessi, Leah B.

Moran, Clara
Monroe, Birdie
Mendoza, Leola
Mayo Sisters
Molyneaux, Mazie
Maitland, Madge
Marguerite, Mlle.
Monroe, Carrie
Mitchell, Allie
Mora, Helene
Mitchell, Allie E.
Melrose, Fern
Munroe, Mrs. F. L.
May, Rose
Millar, Katie
Mahar, Bessie
Mills, Hattie
McDonald, Margaret
McGee, Mrs. H. C.
Marie, Labella
Mascotte, Vina
McKinley, Pauline
Murray Sisters
Mack, Carrie
Newell, Mrs. L. B.
Newell, Maud
Newell, Mrs. H. E.
Nitram, Bessie
O'Brien Sisters
O'Neill, Nellie
Ogden, Fannie

Parks, Ida M.
Price, Lillian
Patrice, —
Palmer, Catherine R.
Pasqueline, Teddy
Paul, Nettie
Price, Mattie L.
Primrose, Frankie
Pullman, Dot
Prairie Joe, Mrs.

Randel, May
Reiger, Daisy
Rogan, Mrs. Peter
Russell, Adele
Russell, Ida
Rodgers, Marie
Rose, Mrs. F. T.
Reynolds, Nona
Rost, Ada
Rumley, Lulu
Russell, Esther
Radcliffe, Lylene
Ramsey, Arline
Rogers, Laura
Stewart, May
Showers, Tillie
Somers, Selma
Sablon, Alice
Sylvester, Beatrice
Saharet, Miss
St. Clair, Nellie 6c.
St. Felix, Mme.
Sigel, Sophie
Schnell, Della
Symer, Laura
Symes, Tessie
Swaynston, Boyd
St. Johns Sisters
Stockton, Sadie
Turner, Grace
Taylor, Mae
Thompson, Alice
Thompson, Mollie
Thompson, Maud
Thomas, Grace
Tanguay, Eva
Trafford, Emma
Taylor, Eva
Thompson, Lillie K
Tyson, Grace
Vyner, Idylla
Vernon, Mrs. D. S.
Vizzard, Crystal
Von Bieg, Nettie
Vockey, Ellen
Wells, Florence
Walton, Lillie
Watson, May
Washburn, Lillian
Wellesley, Marie
Walsh, Marion
Warren, Emma
Watson, Josie
Williams, Ida
Webb, Mrs. Wm. B.
Wallace, Sadie
Wheeler, Emma
Weaver, Blanche
Wynne, Mona
Watson, Ada
Wrigth, 3 Sisters
Willard, Jessie
Ward, Bertha
Ward, Mamie
Waltham, Chrissie

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Adams, Adolph
Allen, Billy
Atherton, Douglas
Armstrong & Porter
Apdale, Jack
Ajax, A.
Abbott, L. D.
Alburtus & Bartram
Andrews, H. O.
Amber, C.
Allen, Walter J. 6c.
Aiken, Paul L.
Ammons - Clerise Trio
Adell, H. D.
Armand & Carmen
Aldrich, C. T.
Andress, Chas.
Appleton, Frank
Angeroth, Billy
Anderson, Bert & Bess
Archer, H. N.
Araki, Tan 7c.
Allen, Albert E.
Anderton, Fred
Arthur, Charles Rudolph

Balcom, H. V.
Blitz, Chas.
Barlow, Billy
Betts, Herbert K.
Buckey, E. L.
Bennett & Wagner
Burto, (juggler)
Bills, E. A.
Beeson, Miles & Lulu
Brooks & Brooks
Burtch, F. G.
Barney, Monk
Bell, H. S.
Blitz, F. R.
Brown, Geo. F.
Buckley, Harry
Bullard, Harry
Brooks, Corney
Buttell, W. H.
Babb, Maurice
Bailey, Cam
Brandon, Russell
Brady, Albert
Bucher, W. L. 6c.
Barrett, Daniel
Blake, Chas.
Bennett, H. S.
Boone, Fritz E.
Burrill, C. W.
Bartine, Chas.
Ben Dib, Ali
Barrett, Juno
Bailey, Chas.
Bryant, Wm. T.
Bell, Harry
Buskey, John
Burton & Buskey
Bowers, Ed.
Ball, Alfred
Balsinger, Gus
Bicks, F. M.
Blum, Sigfried
Boyd, J. H.
Bertram, C. N.
Bush, I. T.
Blondin, Leon
Bruns & Nina
Betts, Geo. S.
Byson, W. H.
Bender, S. P.
Buckley, Prof. Page
Barry, John H.
Bassay, Sig.
Brennan & Williams
Bethel, Edward
Brownings, The
Baker, Chas.
Blake, Chas.
Barlow, Milton
Bayne, J. W.
Besnah, C. A.
Blandford Bros.
Boyd, Harry
Boyton, Paul

Calvin, J. E.
Crosby, Jas.
Carson, Jas.
Coccia, Aurelio
Chalfant, Dick
Camanelli & Lucille
Cook & Osten
Campbell, Frank
Clemence Trio
Conlon, Harry
Campbell & Beard
Creciat, E.
Colman, Capt. G.
Clifton, J. D.
Cawthorne, H. S.
Coyle, Jack
Colwell & Swan
Curdy, John M.
Curtis, Wm.
Clifford & Huth 6c.
Cornalla, Press
Campbell, August
Cline, C. H.
Carter, Frank C.
Collins, Bryan
Christopher, H. B
Crowley & Foley
Cook, Tiff. J. 6c.
Clinton, Chris
Chandler, Jos. G.
Cochran, Prof. Fred W.
Corbin, Edmond
Conroy, John
Christie, Frank
Coffey, Geo.
Cantor, Joe O.
Caicedo, J. A.
Cross, A. W.
Carlo, King
Carlin & Clark
Cole & Oretto
Collins Bros.
Chalmers, Montie
Crawford, Jack
Cooley, W. M.
Crowe, M. T.
Carlotti, —
Christie, Ed.
Casselli, John W.
Curdy, — (C. & L.)
Cole & Johnson
Clark, M. L.
Clark, Eddie
Clifton, Howard
Cook, Billy
Deonzo Bros.
Delancy, J. C.
Duran & Mack
Dent, Geo. C.
Dudley, S. H.
De Vines, Sam
Deeds, J. M.
Danforth, Shorty
Dempster, Robert
De Filippi, Jos.
Davidson, J. W.
Dutton, Wm 6c.
Diamond, Chas. 6c.
Ducrow, W. J. 6c.
Dunlap, Chas.
DeVere, Sam
Dean, Cliff
Devere, Billy
Denver, E. W.
Dolson, Al.
Davenport, Harry (tel.)
Dubec, Mons.
Davis, Hal B.
Duffy & Sawtelle
Davenport, R. W.
Ducrow, Tote
Daniels, Chas. W.
Denver, Ed.
Davenport, W. C.
Davison, Abbott
Donahue, Joe
Delmore, Geo. H.
Dewey, Walter E.
De Pew, Thos. E.
Delno, —
Edwards, Bobby
Evans, Hays
Edmunds, Israel
Edmonds, Jake
Eldons, The
Edwards, C. L. 6c.
Ewers, Chas.
Eaton, Grant
Emerson, Frank
Emery & Marlowe
Edwards, J. S.
Early, John W.
Fagan, Barney
Ford, John
Farnum, Dick
Fields, A. G.
Foleys, The
Friquet, Jules
Freemans, The
Fitzsimmons, Robt
Fisk, R. A.
Fanshaw, A. L.
Fisher, Geo.
Fansons, The
Franklin, Mort
Fox, W. H. 6c.
Feink, C. H.
Fenton, J. C.
Fredericks, Walter
Frazier, Jean
Ford Bros.
Fremont, Chas.
Fenberg, G. M.
Fink, P. J.
Fisher, Phil
Fettel, J. A.
Fenton, Prof. M. J.
Forestner, G.
Fields Jr., John
Gautier, Ernest
Green, E.
Gleason, Prof. O. P.
Gaster, Fred B.
Gorman & Fields
Gardner, Frank A.
Gorman & West
Gaskell, W. T.
Gracy, Billy
Gordon, J.
Glant, I. E.
Gallando, Prof.
Gallagher, W. A.
Ganelleau, M.
Gardner, J. E.
Grant, Lew
Garrison, John H.
Gardner, Geo. C.
Gallagher & Evans
Godley, J. C.
Gallagher, Frank J.
Gray, Carlo
Gaffey, Tommy
Gagner, Bert C.
Gruet, Beers & Gruet
Godfrey & Ruggles
Gilfillan, Ross
Graham, Ferd
Gardner, Chas.
Graham, J. D.
Gray, C. W.
Ganor, Warwick
Geisenberger, Ike
Gibbs & McGregor
Goldie, St. Clair & Goldie
Gorman Bros.
Glocker, Chas.
Gill, Geo. E.
Gardner, Geo.
Gibbs, Doc
Ginserti, Dan
Grand, Clifford
Goerss, Dr. F. C. A.
Graham & Sanford
Gabriel, Sigmond
Hall, Lew
Hughes, J. H.
Huntley, Dr. G. W.
Hadley & Hart
Hughes, J. H.
Henderson, W. H.
Harmon, Geo. B.
Harold, Geo.
Hedrix, Harry
Hinman, Dr. F. C.
Huber, C. F.
Hueston, W. M.
Haswin, Carl
Harding, Chas.
Holt, Alfredo
Hall, Lawrence
Hyer, Wm.
Harpstrite, J. W.
Howard, Burt
Hutchinson, W. H.
Hicks, Geo.
Howard, W. E.
Harbeck, Wm.
Higgins, David
Hungeriord, Harry Hodson, W. F.
Hill & Edmunds
Hailstock Jr., Frank
Haslam, J. H. 6c.
Harrigan, —
Howard & Bland
Hoffman, Aug.
Hearde, J. H.
Hill, H. Percy
Helf, J. Fred
Harris, Robt.
Hendricks & Prescott
Harris & Pearletta
Hill, H. P.
Hogau & Williams
Howe, Frank
Hall, Lew
Houdini, Jack
Harris, Robt.
Houdini, Harry
Hepner, — (magician)
Hammond, Frank
Herbert, H. M.
Haughn, J. P.
Harder, W. H.
Holloway Bros.
Heiser, Fred
Harrigan, Ed.
Hoddy, Lon P.
Heintz, Alfred
Hodge, Joe M.
Hart, Rob Harry
Hagan, W. M.
Hope, Arthur
Hill, H. G.
Hill, H. Percy
Hunt & Wentworth
Hill, Geo. A.
Haines, A.
Hastings, Frank
Irwin Bros.
Junker, W. A.
Jordan, Bert
Jaquin, Geo.
Jansen & Leaton
Joyce, Ed. M. 6c.
Jerome, Victor
Jennier, Geo.
Joy, Frank M.
Jones, Rich. J.
Johnston, Frank
Kelly, Sam
Kellogg, C. D.
Knight, F. M.
Klosterman, Billy
Kirke, F. J.
Kaminiski, V. F.
Kemp, Morris
Kent, Stanley
Kellog Concert Co.
Kern, A. C.
Kilroy, Wm. 6c.
Knowles, Clarence E.
Kimball, Bert
Kling, W. H.
Kneeland, H. C.
Kenyon, John M.
Karl, Wm.
Keeler, Harry
Kitello, —
Kinzo, K.
Kingsley, Billy
Kelley, Thos. P.

Lucas, Sam
Ladell & Alvers
Ley & Mack
Lytell, W. H.
Lewis, Joe
Le Clair, Joe
La Strange, Harry
La Marr, Harry
Leighton, — (frog man)
Lotti, W. A.
Lester, C. M.
Lawrence, Geo.
Lines, Harry
Lang, E. R.
Laurens, J. D.
Lewis, H. Stanley
Le Mack, Tom
Lavender, Geo. 6c.
Litt & Davis
Lazelle, Roger
Latell, B.
Love, Willis
Lewis, Geo. W.
Lester & Billiard
Leslie, Jack
Lloyd, Herbert
Lawrence, S. E.
Lafayette, A. D.
Lawson & Ward
Leavitt & Nevello
Logrenia, C.
Leo, Fred
Lee, Chas. V. (tel.)
Lansell, Harry
Lowell, Jas. H
Lava, Lee
Leslie, Jos. A.
Landie, Chas.
La Barre, Geo.
Luck C.

Murphy, J. B.
Morris, Sam
McCann, Geo. F.
Mackey, Geo. D.
Morris, Harry
Mantell, Wesley
McIntyre & Rice
Mathews & Harris
Maguire, Tracy
McFarland, Phil 6c.
Miron, J. C.
Morello, Ernest
Martell, Harry
Martin, Ernest J.
Martella, Mons.
Monroe, Ned
McAvoy, Jas.
Mason, W. N.
McDonald, Robt.
Mathews, C. C.
McDonald Bros.
Meaney, Steve
McDonald, Felix
McCarver, —
Mulligan, John
Mowatt, Ben
Morrison, Marc
Murphy, Joe B.
Morris & Barton
Merritt, Frank T.
Maddock & Beach
McRae, Bruce
Monola, O. Judd
Murphy, Jack
Magri, Count
Matsumoto, S. 7c.
McGlynn, J. J.
Mitchell, Lee
Moses, Lee
Morgan, H. N.
McIntosh, Tom
McGuiness, John
Macoy, E. H.
Marvelle, Ed.
Mack & Elliott
McDonald, Mike
Mostow, F. D.
Mitchell, W. B.
Morris, Al.
McDonald, Eddie
Marsh, Walter
Mullers, J.
Martz, Al.
Maher, Phil
Morrell, Chas.
Moore, Dennis
McIntosh, B. W.
Molyneaux Jr., Robt. T.
Morrisons, The
McLean, Geo. C.
Morrill, Chas. 4c.
Murphy, Rich. F.
Mathews, Tommy
Marlowe, A. C.
McDowell, J. G.
McDonald, D. A.
Murphy & Willard
McGilly, John
Mason & Jones
Mullaney & Shaw
Meyer, Gust
Morris, Wesley
Montana Bill
McMahon & King
Melville & May
Mackie, Joe
Morley, Victor
McDonald, Mike
Nolan, Jas. P.
Norris Bros.
Nankeville, W.
Nelsonia, — 6c.
Norris, Perry
Nichols, E. E.
Nelson, Martin
Noss, Ferdinand
Nelson, Geo. 6c.
Neleon, Thos.
Nelson, J. B.
Nichols, E. E.
Norwood Bros.
Nelson, Robt.
Norwood, Ed. A.
Neate, L. B.
Northrup, Theo
O'Brien, Neal
O'Leary, Jas.
Oliver, Thos.
O'Rourke, Eugene
Olifans, The
O'Neill, Mattie
O'Neil, Frank
O'Dell, Harry
Obee, Richard
Otis, C. W.
Parks, John A.
Pilcher, Fred
Patterson, Paddy
Powers, John T.
Phillips & West
Prince, S.
Perry, Frank L.
Pantzer Trio
Pike & Co., C. F.
Parrell, Wm.
Powers, Frank S.
Pyle, Mort
Pedrick, Harry
Pramfin, Harry
Parker, G. A.
Pleon, Harry
Parker, Prof. H. M.
Palmer, Jos.
Pusey, C. A.
Provey, Jack
Perrin & Hillman
Pacy P. C.
Paulson, F. A.
Pace, Billy
Paige, Justin
Pastor, J. F.
Peters & Walters
Poe, Mr. & Mrs. F. W.
Prairie Joe
"Piney Ridge" Co.
Patchins, The
Quigley, Johnnie
Queen, John
Russell, H. C.
Reade, John
Reiss & North
Robison, Frank
Rice, W. H. 6c.
Regan, Mart
Rutlege, J. P.
Robbins, Fred
Rider H. V.
Rockwood, Nick
Rialto, Geo.
Reese Bros.
Rose, I. S.
Reeves, Wm.
Ratcliffe, E. J.
Roscoe,
Russell, Wm.
Roche & Whiting
Rosskam, Chas.
Rich, B. L.
Ray, J. J.
Rand, Philip
Royal, Kid
Razzillians-Clark
Rosaire & Elliott
Rhoades, F. C.
Rosaires, Three
Ricaby, S. B.
Robinson, Percy
Ricado, Prof.
Rice, Jas. J.
Reynolds, H. W.
Ramsey & Currier
Rogers, Dave
Roe, Chas S.
Rossow Midget Co
Rexford, Willie
Ryan, Sam
Sefton, Harry
Staley, Richard
Stansill, Jerome
Stull, Frank
Smiley, Frank A.
Seymore, A. J.
Smith & Blanchard
Sparrow, Harry
Sparks, John H.
Skinner, O. A.
Sisson, O. P.
Stratton, T. S.
Stanley, C. & Mae
Stout, L. 6c.
Samuels, Geo. 6c.
Smedley, W. H.
Sheridan & Forest
Stowe, John F.
Stebleton & Chaney
Stewart, B. C.
Shelton, R. B.
Sidman, Arthur
St. Julian, Dan
Sato, O. K.
Summers, E. F.
Stone, Sol
Stark & Folsan
Silver & Sparks
Sheridan, J. J.
Sully & Moore
Sparks, John
Slawinski, C. F.
Shelvey & Ladon
Smith, Donald
Secor, G. J.
Sully, Lew
Siegrist, Wm.
Scott, H. M.
Seymour, Arthur
Sa Van, Chas.
Sydney, Geo.
Sawyer, H. C.
Seymour, Dave
Sheridan, W. B.
Siggins, H. B.
Smith, W. H. (tromb.)
Steers, Karl Bayard
Smith, E. D.
Shearer, Tommy
Shyrigh, W. C.
Seymour, Harry
Sells, Frank S.
Sevengala, Walter
Stuckhart, W. D.
Startzel, Skip
Stills, Fred
Tracy, Mike
Tanakas, The
Taylour, Berry
Tustin, Paul J.
Thorne, John T.
Tre Denick, H. W.
Thomas, Will
Thomas & Quinn
Thurston, Howard
Topack, Geo.
Thurstons, The
Tully, W. A.
Tierney, John
Tucke, Geo. E.
Towne, E. O.
Teggo & Daniels
Teed & Teed
Thorne, Jas. H.
Tucker, T. E.
Thurber, P. H.
Varoas, The
Vede, Mons.
Versatile Trio
Vaders & Risbie
Vincent, Alex.
Walsh, Billy
Wall, J. M.
Woodward, V. O.
Westfall, A. H.
Ward, Stanley
Waltz & Ardell
Weigel, Fred
Walton, H. J.
Winter, Banks
Weber, Chris
Walton, Harry
Wrothe, Eddie
Walcott, Frank
Whittlesey, Chas. W
White, C. F.
Walsh, W. C.
Wentworth, C. G.
Woodyer, B.
Walton, Orlie
Winn & Edmonds
Wilson, W. W.
Waters, Tom
Washburn, L. W.
Wood, Sam
Wills, John B.
Wills & Barron
Wilson, F. E.
Wadleigh, G. W.
Williams, E. L.
Wheeler, S. J.
Winnie, Wm.
Wiggs & Wiggs
Wilson, Knox G.
White & Becket
Wallaces, The
Wilson, J. R.
Welles, Hallock
Webb, Harry
Waltham, Jas. H.
Williams, Sim
Welch, J. J.
Woods, Fountain
Walton, Harry
Wilson, Prof. Alex.
Wolfe, Jack
Wright, Harry
White, Frank
Young, W. C.
Yeager, Otto

Vaudeville and Minstrel

KITTIE SCOTT is playing a five weeks' engagement at the Beverwyck Music Hall, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., and has Syracuse, Utica and Troy to follow.

GERTRUDE HAYNES opens on the Castle-Hopkins circuit April 3, at the Alhambra Theatre, Milwaukee, Wis. She is having a new novelty organ constructed, which she will introduce in her act when completed.

JOHN CONLEY, of Edwards and Conley, has joined his old partner, Tom Mack, and will work with him in the future. He states that he has not signed with the Rentz-Santley Show.

JAMES W. BINGHAM, who is playing over the Moore circuit, has added a walking Jew figure to his repertory.

DAISY A. WARD is at the Gramercy Lyceum this week, singing "Uncle Sam, Why Don't You Take Cuba?" by N. I. Jennings, of *The New York World*.

THE TWO LUCIERS have closed an engagement at Keith's Theatre, Boston, Mass. Next week they play Keith's Bijou, Philadelphia.

LARRY MOLTEN, of the Dunham Family, is well again and is practicing at the Yale gymnasium, in New Haven. He appeared at the annual exhibition March 23 before two thousand students.

THE THREE POLOS sail for England March 30.

THE FIVE FREDERICKS will revisit this country early next Fall.

MAY HOWARD will go to Europe next Summer. She has engaged Phil Mills. Williamson and Stone, and several others of her present company for next season.

CORA ROUTT has added several new waltz and story songs to her repertory, among which are "My Sweet Little Rose of Killarney" and "She Is More to be Pitied Than Censured." Miss Routt is having her voice cultivated with a view to employing only high class songs.

JOE BONNELL played the Atlantic Garden, New York last week, and made a hit with Wm. B. Gray's new story song, "She Is More to be Pitied Than Censured." Blanche Newcomb is also featuring it with success.

MATT SANFORD AND BRUTUS SMITH have joined hands.

PAST EXALTED RULER W. GRAFTON BATEMAN was elected as representative to Grand Lodge, and Past Exalted Ruler Dr. W. B. O. Miller (of Camden Lodge, No. 293) was elected alternate representative to Grand Lodge from Passaic Lodge, No. 387, B. P. O. Elks.

HARRY WOODWARD was seriously injured March 28 while at rehearsals in Bridgeport, Ct. His arm was broken in two places and he was hurt internally. He will no doubt be laid up for the season.

BESSIE VERNON, late of the Three Vernon Sisters, is at her home in Los Angeles, Cal. She will shortly be joined by her two sisters, Jessie and Alice. After a visit at home with their mother they will make a tour of the Northwest, opening in Seattle in May.

ARTHUR GILLESPIE'S song, entitled "Suppose She Were a Sister of Your Own?" is meeting with flattering success in the hands of John P. Curran, Walter Talbott, Lyman Bros., and Howard and Emerson, the latter using stereopticon views.

JOHN R. NALON is playing at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, Mass., this week.

ROSE COLEMAN has been removed to the German Hospital, Seventy-seventh Street and Lexington Avenue., suffering from a very severe attack of sciatic rheumatism.

DEWYLLIS AND DEWYLLIS will shortly add another novelty to their musical act, which will be called melodophone.

BLANCHE HAZELTON, of Irving and Hazelton, is singing, in costume, "Little Peweet," a Chinese love song, written for her by H. W. Petrie. Owing to the success of their new sketch, "A Manhattan Cocktail," in the West, the team will remain there until the Summer, when they will come East.

BILLY DE RUE, comedian and end man, after an illness of twelve weeks, is able to be at work again with his brother Bobbie. They are with J. Parker Campbell.

AL. FILSON and Lee Erroll concluded a successful tour of the Orpheum circuit March 26, and departed for home, Austin, Ill. They are booked in all the leading Eastern houses for return dates.

ZELMA RAWLSTON opened March 27 at Hopkins' Theatre, St. Louis, Mo., and met with success in her male impersonations.

GEO. A. HAMMOND sends the following information: "There was organized in the parlors at the Douglas Club, New York, March 24, a colored actors' fund, with a starting list of seventy-five members. Officers were elected by ballot, and were thus chosen: Ed. Mallory, president; Frank H. Moore, vice president; Frank Mallory, financial secretary; Geo. A. Hammond, secretary; James E. Hood, recording secretary; Al. Brown, master at arms; Luke Pulley, chaplain; Morse, Goggins, Eaton, Reece Bros., Proctor, Davis, Deas, trustees."

EDWIN R. LANG writes that he has taken a lease of the Pike Street Theatre, Seattle, Wash., and opened it on March 26, as a continuous house, giving dramatic and vaudeville at popular prices.

BOOKINGS—At Flom's Concert Hall, Madison, Wis.: Richards and Parker, Grace Gilmore, Fred Lurch, Ida Donnetta, Constantine Sisters, Fred Simonson, pianist. ..... At Barton's Theatre, Newport News, Va.: Cunningham Sisters, Joadwine and Dewitt, the Arleighs, Burk and Grey, Geo. Fredo, Rentz and Edwards, Josie Debow, Ray Lewis, Blanche Lanarde, Jas. C. Barton and Billy Mahone..... At Cosmopolitan Theatre, Auburn, N. Y.: McCabe and Emmett, Hopper and Starr, Daisy Dean and Ida Walsh, John A. Hoenich, musical director..... At the Atlantic Concert Garden, Waterbury, Conn.: The Burlington Sisters, Girard and West, Nellie Howard, Clara Hyde, and Wm. Dunbar, musical director.

MISSOURI.

St. Louis.—There was nothing of much importance in theatrical circles to chronicle last week. The attractions were mediocre and had only average attendance, though the horrible weather may be partly accountable for that. Even the Maine benefit matinee, presenting the best acts from each of the theatres, was only fairly well attended. It netted between $500 and $600.

CENTURY.—The "Girl from Paris" played its second week at this house, and, as we predicted, the attendance was far from satisfactory. It needs an extremely good attraction to fill out two weeks houses in St. Louis. This week "My Friend from India" is with us again.

OLYMPIC.—Donnelly and Girard played "The Geezer" last week. The audiences were good sized and got their money's worth. The piece, as far as plot and reason go, has as little *raison d'etre* as the majority of such productions, but the music was catchy, the girls pretty, the stage setting effective, and Donnelly and Girard as funny as they ever were. This week Lewis Morrison is playing in repertory. His pieces are: "Richelieu," "Yorick's Love," "Faust" and "The Master of Ceremonies." Next week Roland Reed is billed in "As Wrong As Wright."

HOPKINS'.—"The Charity Ball" was the attraction last week, and was well put on by the stock company. The attendance was up to the average, and that means big. The vaudeville features were strong. Charlie Wayne, Anna Caulkwell, and Tony Wilson and his clown led the list. This week they are playing "All the Comforts of Home," and the principal vaudeville features are Jessie, the riding baboon; the biograph with new views, and several specialty people.

IMPERIAL.—Last week "Virginius" was presented, Lawrence Hanley scoring a success in the title role. The production was exceedingly meritorious for a hard worked stock company. This week they are playing "The Rivals" and have a big vaudeville bill. Among other features the animated music sheet, Irene Franklin, Zelma Rawlston, and Sharp and Flat. Next week "Monte Cristo" will be presented.

HAVLIN'S.—"Under the Polar Star" ran last week to good houses and gave satisfaction. This week "Two Little Vagrants" is thrilling the people. Next week "A Trip to Chinatown" is billed.

STANDARD.—Brodie and the New York Stars played to good houses all last week. The bridge jumper has lost none of his popularity in St. Louis. Bryant and Watson, with the American Burlesquers, hold the stage this week. Next week Jermon's "Black Crook" is billed.

COLUMBIA.—The new theatre opened Saturday matinee. The attractions, as billed, are: Kaiser Franz Joseph's Knaben-Kapelle, the biograph, with views of the Maine, and Derious Daly, with her animated song sheet. Seven other specialty acts of high grade are promised.

NEWS.—A "Maine" monument benefit matinee was given at the Olympic Thursday afternoon. The talent was furnished by members of all the companies playing in town. The performance was well attended and a goodly sum realized for the benefit of the monument to mark the resting place of our sailors killed in Havana. The principal feature were, the Elinore Sisters, Harry McBride and Mabel Goodrich, Irena Franklin, Mabel Clark and Anna Buckley, Messrs. Don, Campbell, Earle, Black and Broderick. The entertainment closed with the third act of "The Geezer," which was playing at the Olympic..... Manager Charles P. Salisbury, of the new Columbia, has had quite a severe attack of tonsilitis. He was able to attend the opening of the Columbia on Saturday evening, however..... Guy Lindsley and his pupils appear at the Pickwick Wednesday, 30, in "Belphegor, the Mountebank."..... Wm. Broderick and D. L. Dan, of "The Girl from Paris" Co., were entertained one evening last week by the St. Louis Lodge of Elks. They are both members of that organization. Melba will sing in St. Louis April 4, at the Exposition Music Hall. "The Barber of Seville" is the opera.

Kansas City.—Business picked up last week, and, in spite of some bad weather, all the houses claimed a decided improvement.

COATES OPERA HOUSE.—The week was taken up with local commencements, etc., with the exception of Tuesday evening, March 22, when a new melodrama, called "A Wife's Revenge," written by Sarah Rose Thomson, was produced for the first time on any stage. The cast was composed entirely of amateurs, who struggled in their respective roles, but the play will never amount to much in its present form. The light comedy work of Frank E. Lott was worthy of commendation. This house has no regular attractions booked until the middle of April, when "Miss Francis of Yale" will play a three nights return engagement.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—"The Cherry Pickers," handsomely mounted by Aug. Pitou, came to big business last week. Robt. T. Haines, and old Kansas City boy, in the leading role, was especially clever and received nightly curtain calls. Ralph Delmore, R. V. Ferguson, Jennie Satterlee and Eleanor Browning were all deserving of mention. This week Chas. H. Yale's "Devil's Auction" will visit us, and the week following "The Gay Matinee Girl."

GILLIS OPERA HOUSE.—An extravaganza company opened to big Sunday business and had fair returns at the other performances last week. The house will be dark this week, Manager Buford having rented it for political meetings.

SCHARNAGLE'S CONCERT HALL.—De Forest and Willner H. Abe, Millie Gentry, Marie De Lane.

ORPHEUM.—Last week's bill was the last offered since the house opened, and good houses were the rule. The Sunday openings were as usual, corkers. The hit of the bill was made by Ahern and Patrick, in their sketch called "The Copper and the Kid." Mr. Ahern's four different styles of dancing were the cleverest seen on the local stage in many a day. Others on the bill were: The SaVans, in a unique acrobatic comedy act; Colby and Way, in a new ventriloquial act; Fanny Bloodgood, in her songs; Bogert and O'Brien, in an eccentric musical act; Al and Mamie Anderson, two clever colored performers; ever popular Al Wilson, in his Dutchisms, and the Brothers Glass, in a gladiatorial gymnastic act. This week's bill will be Adgie, the Cuban Lion Queen; the De Filippis, the Clerise Sisters, Maud Beal Price, Conwell and Swan, Sherman and Morrissey, Jerome and Vandee, the five Thompsons and Winslows, and Joe and Nellie Dover.

CLIPPERINGS.—Manager Judah has arranged a monster Cuban relief benefit at the Grand next Friday afternoon. All the current attractions will take part, and the Third Regiment Band and Symphony Orchestra will assist..... Jo. Rosenthal has resigned from the advertising department of the Grand Opera House, and joins the Sells-Forepaugh Show at Columbus, O., April 1. He goes out in No. 1 car..... Paul Dresser, the well known song writer, was in the city last week. He exhibited several checks "On the Banks of the Wabash."..... Al. Strode, manager for Monsieur Le Jewel, the high diver, is in the city, arranging for the Parks this Summer..... Manager Gustav Walter, of the Orpheum, passed through here last Wednesday *en route* to St. Louis, where he has added the Columbia to his Orpheum circuit. It will be opened on 26, and will be the first high class variety house St. Louis has had..... Chas. W. Purvis has been presented with a copy of THE CLIPPER dated Nov. 27, 1858. He has it framed and it is the centre of much observation in the "Dizzy."..... The famous Knaben Kapelle Hungarian Band passed through the city 25, *en route* to St. Louis, where they will play a three weeks' engagement at the Columbia..... Glen Alfter is treasurer of the Orpheum, and has for his assistant Olive Martin. The presence of the fair sex in a box office is a decided novelty, but Miss Martin handles "coin" with the ease of "an old timer."..... Melba will give one concert at the Coates April 9..... It is announced that when May Irwin appears here at the Grand in May she will produce, for the first time on any stage, a new play, called "Kate Kip, Buyer," written for her by Glen McDonough. It is stated that Mlle. Pilar-Marr, the French pantomimist, will have an important role in the piece..... Babe McKee and Jack Reilly are no longer connected with the Orpheum..... Frank Rosenthal will handle the side show with Lemen Bros.' Circus this season.

St. Joseph.—Tootle's Theatre—The house has been dark since March 19, when a fair sized crowd turned out to see "The Gay Matinee Girl." "Shore Acres" comes 30, 31, with indications of big business; "Miss Francis of Yale" April 1.

CRAWFORD'S THEATRE.—The Flints opened March 21, for one week, and they packed the house at every performance. The house will be dark until April 12, when "The Devil's Auction" is due.

WAGNER'S WONDERLAND.—Business last week was immense. The marriage of Frederick W. Moore, leading man, and Pearl Esther, leading lady, of the Wagner Stock Co., which was announced to take place upon the stage at the close of the performance night of 24, proved to be a great drawing card, and the house was packed as it was never packed before. Every foot of space was occupied, and many were turned away unable to gain admission. The marriage ceremony was performed by Justice W. G. W. Ritchie, and upon its conclusion the happy couple were warmly congratulated by their many friends. A magnificent banquet was tendered the bride and groom by Manager Wagner and his wife. The people for week of 28 are: Al. and Mamie Anderson, the Campbells, Jessie Milliar, and stock company in "Storm Beaten."

EDEN MUSEE.—Although enjoying fair business all season this house was forced to close their doors 21, on account of being unable to pay off a heavy indebtedness which was incurred at the time the house was remodeled. The house was open last season under the management of Bert Martin, who remodeled the building at a considerable expense, and he continued as manager until this week, when he gave a deed of trust on the inside fixtures and retired. The house was reopened 23, under the management of Hayers, Taylor & Goldberg, with the Alabama Minstrels as the attraction. The Alabama Minstrels will hold over week of 28, with Ethel Linwood as the feature in curio hall.

MARYLAND.

Baltimore.—The return of "What Happened to Jones" at Ford's Opera House, March 28, was marked by an attendance that tested the capacity of the theatre. The cast was nearly the same as on a former visit, and gave perfect satisfaction. Souvenir spoons were distributed on the opening night. "The Ballet Girl" closed a

World of Players.

— Welsh Bros.' "Old Southern Life" Co.: This colored dramatic organization closed a highly successful season March 29 at Renovo, Pa. It opened Nov. 1, at Lancaster, Pa., and appeared in many of the leading theatres through Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Ohio, West Virginia and Virginia. The personnel of the company included Lowery and Jenkins, Geo. T. Boyd, Cissell and Wall, Chas. Bernard, Prof. Wm. Norris' Musical Quintet (comprising Norris, Wye, Boise, Robinson and Collin), the Trilby Quartet, Clemmie Harris, Billy Reynolds, Burt Barry, J. T. Crocket, C. J. Johnson, Jas. Gordy, Ted Evans and James Decker. The pickaninny band, under the direction of Prof. Floyd Boise. included Wm. Kelly, Matthew Morris, Wm. Robinson, Abe Thomas, Milton Wye, Eugene Collins, Jos. Newton, Wm. Washington and J. W. White. The executive staff was: Welsh Bros., owners and managers; M. H. Welsh, acting manager; John Welsh, general agent; Geo. Welsh, treasurer; V. O. Woodward, press agent; Vincent Kaminski, programme agent, and Sol. Watson, master of transportation.

— Notes from the Spooner Dramatic Co.: Business, with one or two exceptions, has been fine in Nebraska. The animated song sheet and the Maine and Cuban songs are all hits. Allie Spooner uses Cuban and American flags and a picture of Fitzhugh Lee in her picture dance. We have added the "Maine and insurgent" films to our list of moving picture machine, and they are at once a hit. Master Mique is singing his way into the hearts and homes of the Nebraska folks with his coon songs. The members of the company were tendered a chicken supper while in Lincoln, Neb.

— "For Cuba's Sake," a drama, founded upon incidents in the Cuban rebellion, will take the road shortly, to play limited engagements through Pennsylvania and the West.

— George Letford, father of Lizzie Conway, died March 19, at his home in Philadelphia, Pa.

— Albany, N. Y., is to have a new and first class theatre next season. The house is now in course of construction in a most central location, and will play standard attractions, commencing about Sept. 5. Klaw & Erlanger have charge of the bookings. A roof garden will be connected. Ad. Gerber will be the manager.

— Hennessy Leroyle closes his regular season with "Other People's Money" April 2. This makes thirty-two weeks the company has been out this season. After laying off at Detroit, Mich., Holy Week, a supplemental tour of four weeks will begin at Port Huron, Mich., April 10.

— Wm. J. Accooe, musical director for Hyer's Colored Comedy Co., is writing an operatic farce comedy, which, he states, will be presented next season.

— May A. Bell, leading lady of Marks Bros.' Co., has played Duluth, Minn., sixteen weeks, and has put on eighty-two songs during the stay there.

— It has just been learned that Rachel Ford, who is appearing as Margery Sylvester, in "Our Flat," is Lella Burton, a daughter of Col. Geo. H. Burton, Inspector General, U. S. Army. "Our Flat," under the management of Chas. E. Cook and Len B. Sloss, has met with reported success in the larger Western cities, and this week is filling an engagement at the Schiller Theatre, Chicago, Ill., with St. Louis, Mo., and Cleveland, O., to follow.

— Fanny Davenport was too ill to give a performance of "Fedora" at the Grand Opera House, Chicago, Ill., March 22, and the house was consequently dark.

— Hubert Labadie was made a member of the Elks at Mannington, W. Va., recently.

— Lotta Emmons joined the Mrs. and Mr. Robert Wayne Co. at Piqua, O., March 11, for the remainder of the season.

— Lorin J. Howard has secured the rights of "Trilby" for the principal cities for next season. He intends putting it out with a first class company. He is also negotiating with Edwin Milton Royle for "Friends" and "Capt. Impudence."

— Florence Brockway Storey, who has been spending the Winter with her parents in Lincoln, Neb., has returned to her home in New York.

— Leo & Kohni closed their company March 17, at Palmyra, Mo.

— Mason & Downs' "U. T. C." Co., under the direction of W. C. Downs, opens its season in August. The company will number thirty-five people.

— Edward Clarence and his wife, professionally known as Jessie Warner, celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage in this city, March 14. A goodly number of professional and non professional friends were present.

— Mazie Molyneux has joined Bartley Campbell's "White Slave" Co. for the part of Martha. "The Tornado" Co., with which she has been connected for three seasons, has closed.

— George A. Kingsbury, manager of the American Theatre, New York, is made the defendant in a divorce bill filed March 25, in the Superior Court, Chicago, Ill., by Grace Louise Kingsbury.

— Harry Askin has secured the rights of "Pousse Cafe," now playing at Weber & Fields', and expects to produce it in Philadelphia, either at the Walnut Street Theatre or the Chestnut Street Opera House, for a run there this Summer.

— Frank G. Cotter has assumed charge of the preparations for the monster testimonial to Mrs. John Wild, to be given in this city April 17.

— Judge Wheeler, in the United States Circuit Court, in a decision rendered March 24 decreed that the sole right to the play, "Hazel Kirke," belongs to Marshall H. Mallory, and in the cross suit brought by Mackaye for his share of the profits of the play from Mallory, Mary M. Mackaye, as administratrix of the estate of Steele Mackaye, gets judgment for $7,323.49, with interest.

— Claudia Caristedt was granted a divorce from her husband, Louis H. Christie, in Chicago, Ill., March 25. Both are professionals.

— Edward Semple, an American magician, professionally known as Sig. Ferrenti, is wanted in Germany on a charge of committing a deadly assault upon a fellow passenger in a train.

— Charles H. Hoyt's new play, "A Day and a Night," will be produced in New Haven, Conn., on April 18, with Georgia Caine, Villa Knox, Otis Harlan, William Devere, Lew Bloom and W. H. Currie in the cast. The piece will open the next season at the Garrick Theatre, here.

— Thos. Q. Seabrooke is announced to return to America shortly to star in a new play.

— Mae Lowery will return to New York next week, after closing at Wheeling, W. Va., April 2, with "The Geezer" Co.

— David Robinson's Empire Stock Company has added the following plays to its repertory: "Too Much Married," "Better that Gold" and "A Living Lie."

— John Fay Palmer, Geo. T. Meech, Geo. F. Luerssen, Mrs. Annie Inman and Annie Devlin have given their two weeks' notice to close with the John Griffith "Faust" Co. at Louisville, Ky., April 2.

— Don Francks writes: "I have left the Davis Show to assume the stage management of Al. Martin's Big Metropolitan 'U. T. C.' I am arranging to produce, next season, a Western idyl from the pen of Paul Achille L'Oswald, entitled 'The Indian.' It introduces some characters new to the stage. There is a cremation scene by a tribe of Mojave Indians, and the scenery will be copied from photographs of the Grand Canon of the Colorado River, in Arizona."

— Charles E. Evans has disposed of the acting rights of "A Parlor Match" to Fred Ranken, William M. Gray and Will J. Block. The old success will be put on the road next season.

— Charles C. Macy and William F. Pendleton, who comprised the now defunct brokerage firm of Macy & Pendleton, were both indicted for grand larceny by the Grand Jury March 24. Bench warrants for the arrest of both men were issued by Judge Cowing. It is believed Pendleton is in Europe. Lotta Crabtree, a retired actress, is the complainant.

— E. S. Willard's condition is said to have improved, advices from Chicago, Ill., saying that he is out of danger. He will not be able to leave the city for several weeks, and arrangements are being made for him to go to Italy for a long rest before he returns to the stage.

— Daniel R. Ryan Notes: Our business in Watertown and Plattsburg, N. Y.; Kingston, Ont., and St. Albans, Vt., was the biggest business done by a repertory company in the history of all four towns. The Standing Room Only sign was out before eight o'clock Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in all these towns. Geo. Lerch replaced Milo Kirkpatrick at St. Albans, Vt.

— Nat C. Goodwin, on March 26, laid the marble cornerstone of the Tulane Theatre, New Orleans, La.

— Harry Hammill, of the "Big Heart" Co., while crossing Long Lake on his way to Saranac Lake, broke through the thin ice and had a narrow escape from drowning, being rescued by his guide as he was sinking.

— Rich and Cattlin will open their Spring tour early in April. Edward Cattlin will produce "Richelieu" in their repertory, with the following company: Frank Cook, J. W. Murray, Louis J. Epstein, George Pollack Frank Forrest, Alice Rich, Maud Grant, Emar Ferris, Rich and Cattlin, managers.

This is the latest picture of Adelaide Herrmann in her new dances, which have created little short of a sensation wherever she has appeared. The Herrmanns have met with much success everywhere, and Leon Herrmann's palming is said to excel even that of his illustrious uncle.

— Notes from Bryan's Comedians: Everything is lovely with us. As far as Lent is concerned we would never know it was with us. Friday night, which is generally bad for business, has been one of our best nights this season. On Friday, 11, at Green Bay, Wis., we closed the box office at ten minutes of eight, as we did not have even standing room. The same state of affairs occurred last week at Waupaca, Wis. At New London, Wis., 16, our solo trombone player, Orson Saunders, by his presence of mind averted a panic during the performance. The house was packed to the doors, a majority of the audience being ladies and children, and during Mr. Saunder's solo between the first and second acts the fire whistle blew, and someone in the balcony cried fire. In an instant the house was in an uproar, but brother Saunders proved equal to the emergency and kept on playing, and the house was soon again quiet, just as if nothing had happened. Manager Rivers, of the Opera House, was joined by nearly every citizen of the city in tendering thanks to Mr. Saunders for his presence of mind, and nothing but praise for him could be heard on all sides.

— Mme. Pilar-Morin has been engaged for May Irwin's company for next season. She will create the part of an up to date Japanese girl in the new play which Glen McDonough has written for Miss Irwin. Miss Irwin will impersonate a buyer for a large dry goods house, and the Japanese girl is supposed to have been a class mate of hers at a New York school. Mme. Morin will appear in San Francisco in May in the Japanese pantomime, "In Old Japan," and, after a brief tour with the pantomime, and a little vacation, will join Miss Irwin's Company for the regular season.

— Mrs. L. Thorndyke Boucicault, widow of the playwright, Dion Boucicault, has brought suit in the Federal Court in Chicago for $5,000 damages against Manager Thomas L. Grenier, of the Lyceum Theatre, and Horace Vinton for unlicensed use of the copyrighted play, "Led Astray."

— Richard Mansfield will begin a two weeks' engagement in Boston Easter Monday, and will then present for the first time his play founded on the romance by Jessie Fothergill, called "The First Violin." If this piece is then successful it will be acted in New York, at the Garden Theatre, April 25.

— Mrs. Edward Joseph Ratcliffe, who came from England a couple of months ago to testify that she was the first wife of the actor now serving a sentence for wife beating, sailed March 23 for Southampton. She said she was going to visit relatives in England, but would return to live here in about six months.

— J. E. Dodson will remain with the Empire Theatre Company for another season, an intended starring tour having been given up on account of the impossibility of securing suitable plays.

— Mrs. Carrie Keeler, who was engaged by Manager A. M. Palmer to play Beatrice Cameron's roles in the support of Richard Mansfield, is no longer a member of that actor's company.

— Amelia Summerville was granted a divorce from her husband, Frederick R. Runnells, in this city, March 23.

— Chas. Jackson and Helen Brackett have been engaged for Sam Bernard's "Marquis of Michigan" Co.

— Arthur Hoops, now with Digby Bell, will next season play leading roles with James K. Hackett.

— Jean de Reszke has decided not to again sing in "Faust" or "Romeo." He is tired of those roles, and besides is ambitious of devoting himself altogether in the future to Wagnerian roles.

— Another meeting of the stockholders of the Abbey, Schoeffel & Grau Company, Limited, was held March 22, at the Metropolitan Opera House. It was decided to accept the offer made by John B. Schoeffel, representing the Tremont Theatre Amusement Company, to purchase the Tremont Theatre in Boston. The terms of the sale were not made public, but Mr. Goerlitz, secretary of the company, said the amount was more than sufficient to enable the Abbey, Schoeffel & Grau Company, Limited, to settle its liabilities.

— Joe G. Glasgow will manage Myrkle & Harder this coming season in a repertory of comedy successes. Their season opens the last week in July.

— George R. Robinson informs us that he is at the County Hospital, Chicago, Ill., suffering from a sprained ankle, which he sustained during a performance of "Cyclone" at the Clark Street Theatre, that city.

— "The Heart of Maryland" closed its tour March 26, and on 31 the newly organized company will sail for England. The London engagement opens at the Adelphi Theatre on April 9. The principal actors in the company that will present the play abroad will be cast as follow: Gen. Hugh Kendrick, Harry Harwood; Col. Alan Kendrick, Maurice Barrymore; Col. Fulton Thorpe, Edward J. Morgan; Lieut. Robert Telfair, Frank Mills; Sergeant Blount, Odell Williams; Tom Boone, Henry Weaver Jr.; Lloyd Calvert, Malcolm Williams; the Sexton, John W. Jennings; Uncle Dan'l, Walter Belasco; Mrs. Claiborne Gordon, Helen Tracy; Maryland Calvert, Mrs. Leslie Carter; Phœbe Yancey, Helen Macbeth; Nanny MacNair, Minnie Dupree. As in the case of the London engagement of "Secret Service," all the minor actors and supernumeraries will be taken over. The company in all will include between forty and fifty persons.

— Edward Williams closed with Agnes Wallace-Villa, in "The World Against Her," at Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 26, and joined the King-Kirkhoff Co. March 3, to do leads and heavies.

— S. C. Milbourne, passenger agent of the Union Pacific, has sent us a theatrical date book for the season of 1898-99 issued by that road. It is a pretty, gilt edged, vest pocket companion, with its dates very conveniently arranged, and with handy percentage and multiplication tables by which to verify calculations. It is altogether a model date book.

— Augustin Neuville writes, under date of March 24, as follows: "The announcement in THE CLIPPER that 'The Boy Tramp' would play Brooklyn, N. Y., this week proves two things, viz., how every small item in THE CLIPPER is read, and that there must be a demand for melodrama, as I have had seven weeks offered me for the 'Tramp' this season, and any number for next season, which, of course, I cannot accept on account of existing vaudeville contracts."

— We are informed that the Frank Wills Co., playing "In Atlantic City," stranded March 21 in St. Louis, Mo. It was sent on to Chicago, Ill., with all expenses paid, through the efforts of Fred Murray, stage manager of "The Girl from Paris" Co.

— Mrs. Alice Thompson presented her husband, A. S. Thompson, with a baby girl, Feb. 25, at their home in North Hyde Park, Vt.

— Joe Greene, who has been advertising agent at the Elmwood Opera House, South Framingham, Mass., for the past two seasons, has closed.

— The Southern-Price Co. has closed for the season. After a few days in Chicago, Ill., arranging for next season, Richard Lambert will go to his home for the Summer.

— Hal Davis has been signed by O. D. Woodward to play principal comedy roles in the Broadway Theatre Stock, Denver, Col., where he will remain for an indefinite period, opening April 3.

— Alice C. Keane, a once popular emotional actress, who has been living in retirement for the past five years, will soon reappear in D. K. Higgins' military play, "Burr Oaks."

— Fanny Davenport is critically ill. Two consultations of physicians were held in Chicago, Ill., March 27, and they pronounced the actress in a dangerous condition. Her engagements have been canceled, and her brothers in New York, Edgar L. and Harry Davenport, and relatives in Boston and Philadelphia have been notified. The actress began a two weeks' engagement in Sardou's plays at the Grand Opera House, Chicago, March 21. The second night of her engagement she became so ill the house was closed. Thursday she attempted to renew her work, but a physician was in constant attendance on the stage. Nervous disorders, caused by overwork, and pneumonia have attacked Miss Davenport. She was carried on and off the stage Friday night, and was so weak Saturday that the two performances were canceled. She grew rapidly worse, and for a time was delirious. Her husband, Melbourne McDowell, is with her. The company will probably be sent back to New York.

— J. Harry Gordon, manager of the Empire Stock Co., writes: "We have just gone through three weeks of solid rain in Southern Ohio and Indiana, and, considering the inclemency of the weather, our business has held up fairly well. Lucy Salmon is a recent addition to the company, also Arthur Blockaller. We are booked solid and close our season at Kalamazoo, Mich., May 7, each member going to his or her respective home. Joseph M. Slater and Etta Horton go to Watertown, N. Y.; Harry Stetson and Maude Seldon to Cleveland, O.; Thos. H. Sewell, Latrobe, Pa.; Miss Kirk to Lima, O.; Miss Salmon to Minneapolis, Mr. Blockaller to Indianapolis, and Mr. Gordon to Nevada, Mo. The company has had an unusually prosperous season, and many regrets are expressed as our date for closing draws near. We have the exclusive rights to the production of Joseph H. Slater's plays, who has all productions under his personal supervision. I shall, in addition to the Empire Stock, next season have a one night stand farce comedy on the road, opening at Latrobe, Pa., Aug. 1."

— Notes from Maxam & Sights Comedians: This company has been touring Michigan since October 12, to good business, having been able to pay salaries in full with the exception of two weeks. Business has steadily increased since the new year. Last week we opened in Lanigsburg to S. R. O. and displayed the sign four nights in the week. Next week we commence playing a number of return dates, and will close the season in Decatur, Mich., April 23, and will open the Summer season as Maxam's Comedians, under canvas, in Paw Paw, Mich., May 2, retaining the stage people and adding a band and orchestra. We will tour the Summer resorts of Northern Michigan, traveling in our own cars. We have made but one change during the season, Frank Callahan taking the place of A. W. Fordyce. The roster: Maxam & Sights, proprietors; Frank Callahan, H. Harrison Parker, J. C. Fowler, C. B. Radford, advance; Bert Smith, pianist; J. W. Sight, stage director; W. K. Maxam, manager; Mittie Maxam, Pauline Sights and Theresa Belmont. Five copies of THE CLIPPER join us every Friday.

— Alice Verlet and her company will close the season early in April and proceed to New York City, where she will shortly appear at the Waldorf-Astoria and at the Metropolitan Opera House. After that time she is engaged for the entire month of May for musical festivals South. Grace Preston, the contralto with the Nordica Concert Company this season, who is also one of her company, is engaged with Mlle. Verlet for the Southern festivals. Manager Chas. L. Young writes: "This terminates my business with the Verlet combination this year, and I am just in receipt of advices whereby arrangements have been made for Ysaye, the violinist, and Gerardy, 'cellist; Sobrino, pianist, and Mme. Bloodgood for a tour of Mexico, California, Australia, Honolulu and Japan. I leave in the interest of this combination for the City of Mexico and will remain there for about two weeks, going direct from that city to San Francisco, where my headquarters will be for the above mentioned tour. This tour is under the sole direction of Mr. Victor Thrane, and I am his authorized manager for the tour, which promises to be not only an artistic success, but a financial success as well. Ysaye is to receive five thousand Mexican dollars for two concerts in the City of Mexico in May, and the outlook for the Pacific coast and the above mentioned country indicates a much larger figure."

— Billy O'Day writes thus: "Gus. Hill's 'McFadden's Row of Flats' Co. on March 24 played at the Soldiers' Home, Hampton Roads, Va. The house was packed with old vets., and just before the curtain rose the governor of the home stood in his private box and raised the Stars and Stripes far above his head, the band played the 'Star Spangled Banner,' and the show commenced. We had the pleasure of witnessing the launching of the twin battleships, Kersarge and Kentucky, March 24, at Newport News, Va. Mr. Hill and wife were presented with a carriage and driven to a close view of the launching."

— Angell's Comedians Notes: We are now in our thirty-third week and are happy. We have just added four calcium lights for Essie Thompson's scenic and fire dance, which is making a big go. Business has been good all season and the show is booked solid throughout the Summer in the Northern resorts.

— The Ferguson Bros. have closed with the Murray Comedy Co. and expect to be at the head of their own company next season in the following repertory: "His Excellency," "Under London's Lights," "Outwitted," "The Landslide," "The Late Lamented Jones," "Charley's Wife" and "A Scrap of Paper." They open on the Castle circuit, Chicago, Ill., for a three weeks' engagement, April 4. C. H. Ferguson and W. T. Nelson will be proprietors; W. T. Nelson, business manager.

— West & Pearl's Comedians, under the management of J. A. West, open April 10 at Shelby, O., for a Spring and Summer tour.

— Isaac Payton having closed his season, Business Manager Pliny Rutledge is visiting friends in Hutchinson, Kan.

— W. M. Paul, the Boston dramatic agent and Commodore of the Farragut Naval Veterans of Boston, has received an increase of pension from Washington, and has been appointed by Governor Wolcott a Justice of the Peace for the State of Massachusetts.

— Dot Blanchard goes with Waite's Comedy Co. next season, and her husband, Frederick C. Merrill, will be musical director of Rice's Comedians.

— Walter G. Scott & Co.'s Philadelphia Theatrical Exchange has suspended business.

— Harry and Lizzie Parker joined Philip Baer's Opera Co. March 28, at Tarrytown, N. Y.

— Mrs. William P. Holton, professionally known as Mrs. Chas. W. Roberts, gave birth to a son March 26.

— H. E. Newell and wife (Minerva Nible) were compelled to resign from Denier's Comedians at Zanesville, O., on account of the death of Mr. Newell's father, which occurred at Attica, Ind., March 13. They joined the Emma Goodrich Co. at Terre Haute, Ind., March 24, for the rest of the season.

— During the production of the animated song sheet by the Frederick H. Wilson Co. at Circleville, O., a slight fire occurred behind the scenes. A beautiful gothic chamber, painted by Harley Merry and used by Mr. Wilson in his production of "Paradise Regained," was totally destroyed.

— Dan McCarthy will present his new Irish comedy drama, "The Honest Irish Lad," under the management of H. J. Campbell, next season, and Miss Lou Ripley will take charge of the Dan McCarthy Company, presenting "The Rambler from Clare."

— Lorin J. Howard has been specially engaged for one week at Pike Opera House, Cincinnati, O., opening March 27, in "The Banker's Daughter."

— Milton Aborn & Co. have secured "Trilby," "Alabama," "Master and Man" and other plays from Howard & Doyle, for special Eastern territory for next season,

— A nautical drama, entitled "The Midshipman," will shortly be produced in Chicago, Ill.

— "Trilby" has been secured by J. W. Albaugh Jr., for the Lyceum Theatre, Baltimore, Md., also by D. H. Hunt for Pike Opera House, Cincinnati, O., from Howard & Doyle.

CALIFORNIA.

Los Angeles.—At the Los Angeles Theatre Marie Wainwright presented "Shall We Forgive Her?" to moderate business, March 14-16. Anna Held is due 22, 23, James A. Herne 24-26.....The Burbank Theatre is dark and undergoing renovation 14-18.....Good business at the Orpheum. Features 21: Whitney Bros., Will H. Fox Smart and Williams, Mandola and the American biograph.....Norris Bros.' Dog and Pony Show exhibits here 21-26.....Los Angeles Lodge, No. 99, B. P. O. Elks, held a very successful social session 16.....A merry war is on among the rival bill posting concerns in this city, which promises to end in the courts.....The Night Owls Burlesque and Extravaganza Co., of which I wrote you as taking the road from this city a few weeks ago, came to grief at Phœnix, Ariz., and J. Chandler Braman, promoter of the enterprise, was arrested at Albuquerque, N. M., for the alleged forgery of a deed for $500 before leaving here.....Thomas E. Rowan Jr., formerly with the Calhoun Opera Co., with the aid of amateurs presented "Pinafore" at Santa Ana, Cal., 16.....Joseph Petrich, proprietor of the Orpheus Theatre at Randsburg, Cal., was in Los Angeles 18.....Gustav Walter has made another purchase of sixty-five acres of improved ranch property near this city.

Vaudeville and Minstrel

CHAS. W. MILTON, of Milton and Vernell, with Trelegan's Excelsior Comedy Co., now touring Michigan, became involved in a friendly scuffle with one of the members of the company night of March 18, and sustained a most dangerous fracture just above the left ankle, snapping the bone in two, and at the same time receiving a very severe right ankle sprain. He was immediately taken in charge by the local K. of P., of which order he is a member, and is receiving the best of care and medical attention. It will be four months before the limb can be used. This makes the second injury of a serious nature that he has received, as only two seasons ago he sustained the loss of his left eye during a performance while with Cleveland's Minstrels.

THE CAKE WALK and plantation jubilee given at Harmanus Theatre, Albany, N. Y., March 16, under the management of Bob Underwood, was, we are informed, a success. George Palmer and Mary Anthoney won first prize, a gold watch and a diamond ring, respectively. Irene Westerbank won a ladies' gold watch for having the finest costume. Among the features of the evening was the buck dancing contest and the singing of the Capital City Quartet, made up of Ben Underwood, Geo. Diggs, James Lett and James Partrige.

BENTHAM AND BYRNE, musical comedians, were at Jackson, Mich., week of March 21, and are at Smith's Opera House, Grand Rapids, this week.

JOE SEYMOUR writes that he is meeting with success with his buck dancing.

WYLIE AND SANFORD, comedy sketch vocalists, write: "We have closed a six weeks' engagement at the Casto Theatre, Fall River, Mass., working in and putting on afterpieces and comedies, and were successful in pleasing the audiences at that house."

PEARL FOREPAUGH informs us that she did not play the Ninth and Arch Museum, Philadelphia, Pa., last week.

WILLIAM J. KELLY, who opened the season with the Mlle. Ani Show, at the London, was stricken with paralysis of the vocal cords while playing Keith's, Boston, and was compelled to close.

C. H. LARKIN, manager of Gorton's Minstrels, was a CLIPPER caller March 24. He states that the company is now in the thirty-sixth week of a very prosperous season. They have just finished an eight weeks' tour of the South, where they had excellent business. Mr. Larkin speaks in enthusiastic fashion of the good treatment the company experienced upon the Southern railroads. Hank Goodwin was presented by his fellow members of the company with a gold headed cane on March 19, upon the occasion of his birthday.

HIGGINS AND LESLIE, knockabout comedians, have returned East after a tour of the Western vaudeville houses.

BARNEY FAGAN AND HENRIETTA BYRON, Edwin Latell, and Johnson, Davenport and Lorella have been engaged for the Harry F. Fagan All Star Specialty Co. Barney Fagan will put on an afterpiece, in which several novelties will be introduced. The season opens in Newark, N. J., Aug. 20. Emil H. Gerstle, formerly agent for Frank Daniels' "The Coon Hollow" and other companies, has been engaged to do the advance work.

OWING TO THE DEATH of "Kid" Hogan's father at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 20, Hogan and Glenroy were obliged to cancel their engagement at Portland, Me., last week.

JENNIE PEARL, of the team Christie and Pearl, is ill with *la grippe*, and in consequence the team has canceled several dates.

DAVID CONGER informs us that he has concluded a two weeks' engagement at Kansas City, Mo., and Omaha, Neb., in the support of Bert Coote, in the sketch, "A Supper for Two."

THE ACME VAUDEVILLE CO., under the management of J. M. Burton, gave an entertainment at the National Soldiers' Home, Hampton, Va.

FLORENCE HOUSTON and Dickie Howard were entertained March 17 by friends in Deadwood, S. D., and were each presented with a Black Hills gold ring.

WINN AND EDMONDS have closed their tour with Al. G. Field's "Darkest America."

MR. AND MRS. SAM LUCAS, who have been playing an engagement at the Alhambra Theatre, Milwaukee, Wis., have been re-engaged there for a second week.

THE WILLIAMS TRIO has closed a successful two weeks' engagement at Philadelphia, Pa. They play Hartford, Ct., week of March 28. They will introduce their novelty, bamboo hand bells, shortly.

JESSIE MILLAR, cornettist, has been ill at Kansas City, Mo., and was obliged to cancel several engagements owing to a very severe cold, contracted at Salt Lake City, Utah, coming direct from San Diego, Col. She is now convalescent and will be able to resume work shortly.

LADY AFRICA COLORED SPECIALTY CO. NOTES.—We are touring the Indian Territory and Arkansas, doing good business and pleasing the people everywhere. We carry a band and orchestra. Roster: W. S. Boren, manager; J. W. Hubbard, advance; Alf. Graham, Jess Brown, George Coleman, John Buckler, Keller Brothers, J. R. Brown, Garfield Vaughn, S. L. Green, Floyd McMillan, D. Meadowns, D. W. Muse, J. H. Haywood, B. A. Fisher, James Moore and J. W. Jordan, Lena Graham, Ernestine Brown and Little Minnie Keller.

THE TWO GERTIES, Le Clair and Hayes, have just closed a week at the Bijou, Washington, D. C. They are this week at the Theatre Francais, Montreal, Can.

CHARLES COWLES has engaged India Palmer for a character part in his new comedy sketch, written for him by McKee Rankin.

GRACE COURTLAND has joined Robie's Bohemian Burlesquers for the rest of the season.

CLIFFORD PEMBROKE, Grace Heyer, Geo. C. Thomson and Charles Marriott are in Florida, playing the hotels and Winter resorts.

THE BOWMAN-SWETNAM NOVELTY CO. is still in Nebraska. Prof. S. P. Bowman, manager, joined the Modern Woodmen of America after the performance at Orleans, Neb. Prof. H. S. Woodworth, the hypnotist, joined March 7.

THE COMMITTEE in charge of the benefit for the widow and children of the late John Wild have selected Koster & Bial's as the theatre and Sunday evening, April 17, as the date. The sale of seats will begin in a few days at the Herald Square Theatre. Several boxes have already been disposed of, William Harris, manager of the Garrick, subscribing $50 for one. The list of volunteers is extraordinary in its length and quality.

MARY A. DEAGLE, wife of George J. Deagle, the one time prominent St. Louis manager, died of heart failure on March 24, at her home in this city. Interment took place Sunday, at Maple Grove Cemetery, Long Island. She was the mother of Terese Deagle (Mrs. J. J. Coleman) and Mary B. Deagle (Mrs. Harry Sefton.)

WESSON AND WALTERS write: "We received our new sketch, and are now rehearsing it so as to put it on at the Haymarket Theatre, Chicago, Ill., April 11. It was written by Arthur J. Lamb, and will be rehearsed and staged by John D. Gilbert."

THE ELINORE SISTERS write: "We have the distinction of being the act selected to represent Col. Hopkins at the benefit at the Olympic Theatre, St. Louis, Mo., March 24, the proceeds of which are to be donated toward the erection of a monument to the memory of the sailors who died on board the Maine."

SOLARET, an electric light danseuse, who appeared last week at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre, was at once re-engaged by General Manager J. Austin Fynes for the Pleasure Palace this week. The dances are produced under the personal direction of T. J. Clarke, Miss Fuller's former chief electrician.

MARGARET ROSA has made arrangements for a trip to Europe after closing with Robie's Knickerbockers. She has received several offers through her 'ad." in THE CLIPPER last week.

LYDIA TITUS, billed as Lydia Yeamans, opened at the Nottingham Empire Palace, Eng., two weeks ago, and the local press in half column notices comment in the highest terms of praise on the versatility of the popular performer. In Liverpool she is also described as "a host of entertainers." Mr. Titus also comes in for his share of the commendations.

BRYANT & WATSON'S AMERICAN BUQLESQUERS closed a five weeks' engagement in Chicago, Ill., to flattering business, March 26. The show was a hit while there and could have stayed two weeks more if it had the time open.

HEPWORTH AND STOCKHOLM are in their fifth week at Clifford's Gaiety Theatre, Chicago, Ill.

BURT COVEY, trick 'cyclist, who has been riding in the West under the name of Bud Snyder, has decided to accept an offer to ride in London, Eng., and will sail about May 1.

THE BEESONS and their troupe of performing canaries and doves were engaged as an attraction for week of March 21 by three of the leading business firms of Newark, N. J.

MEMBERS of the Esmeralda Dancing Club attended Keith's Union Square Theatre on Saturday afternoon, March 26, to witness the dancing exhibition introduced by Prof. and Mrs. Al. Allen.

MCDOWELL AND GLENN have dissolved partnership, and hereafter Sam McDowell will work alone, doing a singing and dancing monologue turn.

THE ASBEYS write from Liverpool, Eng., as follows: "We just received THE CLIPPER dated March 12, and did not lay it down until we had most of the news committed nearly to memory. THE OLD RELIABLE costs us here in Liverpool eight pennies, or, in American money, sixteen cents. But the cost, be it four times as much, would not stop us from getting the best theatrical, sporting and circus paper in the world. We are now on the seventh week of the Moss & Thornton tour, which is, all told, fourteen weeks. Then we play the Stoll tour, then the Livermore Bros.' tour, making our booking solid up to the latter part of August. Our statuary act on the revolving platform has made a big hit over here, and we hold a patent on same. Our act has been greatly improved since we came over here. We occupy the entire stage now with our stage setting, consisting of our silk plush draped revolving platform, two special stairways each side of same to come down on, and our own plush stage carpet, together with our electric lamp, to throw names of pictures on screen, and a fine new musical arrangement for each picture. We are getting better adapted to the ways and customs of the people over here now, and like it much better than we did at first, but not nearly as well as America. What a strange feeling comes over you as you write that great and grand name, AMERICA, especially now, as the question of war is being talked of so much, and there is so much in the papers about the Yankees and the Spanish!"

NOTES FROM THE COL. BILLY THOMPSON TRIPLE ALLIANCE.—At Canton, O., March 25, La Petite Hazel, after completeing her act on the swinging wire, was showered with flowers and bouquets. Canton is her home and she is a relative of President McKinley. The Pollock Bros., also natives of Canton, were tendered a big ovation. It is probable that Barry Gray and wife will join to fill the Columbus and Toledo dates. We expect to close about May 1. The Allyns have been released, and left for Boston. It is remarkable the way interest in the veriscope pictures keeps up. Most of the audiences are favorable to Fitzsimmons. H. L. Worthington, electrician, will soon sail for Europe, to take charge of biograph interests there. Doc Waddell is a great favorite with audiences. Bouquets and ovations are frequent. At Mansfield he was banquetted by the Foresters and given the Royal degree.

MAE POWERS, with the Phil Baer Co., is making a most pronounced success with her rendition of the patriotic song, "Uncle Sam, Why Are You Waiting?" which she sings nightly to three and four encores. Though scarcely sixteen years of age, she is said to produce the song with an intelligence and vigor rivaling many who have double her stage experience. She costumes the song as Fair Columbia.

COLBY AND WAY write: "Through a misunderstanding between Mr. Rossow and ourselves we have closed with the Rossow Midgets Co. This week we are at the Orpheum, Kansas City, Mo., and in the short space of time that we have had are well booked up. We are booked in Europe, sailing next September, and on our return to the East will produce a novelty in ventriloquism."

MRS. EDDIE BARNES, of The Barnes, gave birth to a son on March 21.

THE CRAIG TRIO open for two weeks at Austin & Stone's Museum, Boston, Mass., April 4.

ALLEN AND REGAN have again joined hands. They open at Tony Pastor's Theatre shortly.

BILLY AND MADRID JACKSON joined J. Edwards' Georgia Graduates at Salt Lake City, Utah, March 21, for twelve weeks. They expect to open at the Alhambra, London, Eng., Oct. 24.

MATTHEWS AND HARRIS have closed a tour over the Orpheum circuit, and open at the Creighton Theatre, Omaha, Neb., March 28, with the Keith circuit to follow.

DOT WEST, of the team of Ford and Dot West, stepped on a nail last Monday just before starting to rehearsal and had to cancel the week. This is the first week they have lost since Sept. 13 last. They have signed with Weber & Fields for next season, and not the Fagan Co.

WALKER AND RANDOLPH have dissolved partnership, and Miss Randolph will hereafter work with her son, Chas. Randolph, of Morris and Randolph.

JOHN R. NALON played at the Knights of Pythias banquet, Thursday evening, March 24, at Fall River, Mass.

BINNEY AND CHAPMAN closed March 26 a six months' engagement at Putzel's Vanderville Palace, Macon, Ga., and open April 4 at the Tivoli Music Hall, Savannah.

E. NATTES writes: "Maud Raymond, who has featured at Pastor's Theatre during the week ending March 26 my latest song, entitled 'Yo' Must Respect Dis Coon!' informs me that she will feature it at the Harlem Music Hall this week, adding that the song is one of her best numbers."

CLIVETTE was the feature of the show at the Orpheum, Kansas City, Mo., last week, and not Coote and Kingsley, as stated by our correspondent.

HEELEY AND MARBA are doing the Moss and Thornton tour, in England.

THE CEES, Jerome and Marie, are doing a new sketch, "The Unexpected Visitor."

WESLEY HILL, of the Hills, has formed a partnership with Geo. Bundy.

WOLLIE PHELPS, late of Bryant & Watson's American Burlesquers, has been confined to her bed for the past three months, but is now slowly recovering.

WROTHE AND WAKEFIELD write as follows: "We arrived in Louisville March 21, to open at the Bijou Theatre, but found Manager Arthur had flown to parts unknown. We join Ringling Bros.' Shows in St. Louis, Mo., April 4."

DOT PULLMAN, descriptive contralto, is scoring a hit with Monroe H. Rosenfeld's patriotic song, "Uncle Sam, Why Are You Waiting?" which she sings to two and three encores nightly. Her rendition also of the same author's new ballad, "Since You Spurned My Gold," is also admirably given.

LITTLE AND PRITZKOW will open an engagement on the Keith circuit, beginning with the week of March 11, at the New York house. Among the many new songs which they will introduce as duets are "Since You Spurned My Gold" and "Another Rose is Just as Sweet."

ANNIE HART is singing Josephine Sabel's new waltz ditty, "Sweet May McVey," published by Jos. W. Stern & Co., and is making a hit with it.

MANAGERS LOOMIS & MILLS, of 'Cycle Park Theatre, Dallas, Tex., writes as follows: "We have been subscribers and constant readers of THE CLIPPER for twenty-three years, but never knew its real value until now. In response to our ad. in last week's issue we have received upwards of two hundred and fifty letters from all parts of the United States. It has been a great benefit to us in securing first class people for our opening here, which occurs May 2. Many thanks and success to THE CLIPPER."

O'CONNELL AND MACK are at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, Mass., this week.

HOWARD AND MARENO opened March 21 at the Theatre Comique, Terre Haute, Ind.

WHILE PLAYING the Ninth and Arch Museum, Philadelphia, Pa., last week, Grace Graham, of the Grahams, at the finish of their new act, "A Soldier's Sweetheart," was presented with a handsome silver canteen by the ve

GUY BROTHERS' MINSTREL NOTES.—We are still playing to large audiences every night, and, although we have been following all the minstrel shows on the road, we are pronounced everywhere as the best. The show is the best we ever had. The band and orchestra are a great feature. Arthur Guy is playing for his cornet solo, "Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue," and brings down the house. Hood Brothers are still astonishing the people. Our new big marble statue act is hitting them hard. Billy Crawford and Arthur Guy keep the audience yelling. In fact, the verdict everywhere is, the Guy Brothers' Show is the neatest, cleanest and best minstrels this season. We carry thirty-two people, and next season we will have the best in the land. We have the honor of being the oldest show traveling today, and everything is up to date.

"WHAT BROADWAY SAYS GOES" is a new song from the pen of Louis Weslyn Jones. It is in march time, and goes well wherever introduced. It is featured by many leading singers and burlesque shows.

GRACE THURSTON writes from Minneapolis, Minn.: "I was the first to sing 'Ragmala' here."

ARLINE WYETT, with the Vesta Tilley Co., this week at the Haymarket, Chicago, is going big singing "Ragmala" and "Picaninny Lullaby."

AL H. WESTON is making a hit with Gus Hill's Gay Masqueraders playing the title role in the burlesque, "A Jay at Coney Island." His singing is favorably commented upon.

J. FRED HELF, of Helf and Yost, and Rosa Davis (non-professional) were married March 25, in Cincinnati, O.

FRANK FINNEY AND LILLA RAYMOND were married March 17, at Butte, Mont.

SMITH O'BRIEN will play the Orpheum circuit, opening April 3 at the Creighton Theatre, Omaha, Neb.

ILER, BURKE AND MCDONALD are with the Rossow Midgets Company.

DIANA, in her mirror dances, is the star attraction this week at Shea's Garden Theatre, Buffalo, N. Y. Her new dances have proven such a success that her time is all filled until September.

EFFIE ST. CLAIR is singing her Maine song, composed by herself, at Barnett's Concert Garden, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., introducing a tableau of Columbia and Cuba for the finish, while the star spangled banner is unfurled over the audience.

LIZZIE B. RAYMOND'S latest descriptive song is a very pretty one, and she features it with much success—"All Because a Lover Was Untrue."

WILLIAMS AND GOODALE, playing Milwaukee, Wis., this week, are receiving encore after encore singing "Ragmala," a new coon song.

THE SILVERS, song illustrators, introduced Chas. K. Harris' latest song, "Break the News to Mother," at St. Louis, March 6, for the first time on any stage, with illustrations. They were last week the headliners at the Alhambra Theatre, Milwaukee, their original song on the Maine disaster creating a furore. This week they are at the Olympic, Chicago, with the Haymarket, Chicago Opera House and Hopkins' to follow.

GENARO AND BAILEY closed with Hopkins' Trans-Oceanics last week at the Bon Ton, Jersey City, N. J. They will finish the season playing dates.

THE HALE SISTERS have renewed their wardrobe, which was destroyed by fire at Wonderland, Wilmington, Del., recently. They are in the bill this week at Tony Pastor's, this city.

MICHAEL COAKLEY, of Coakley and Husted, was a CLIPPER caller March 28. They are in the bill this week at Proctor's Theatre.

MAX FIELDS will be tendered a benefit Easter Sunday, April 10, at the Central Opera House, this city. Among the well known performers who have volunteered are: Weber and Fields, Vesta Tilley, Sam Bernard, Lew Dockstader, Lizzie B. Raymond, Peter F. Dailey, Frank Bush, Mary Norman, the Beaumont Sisters, and Sylbia Teller.

WILEY HAMILTON and Ruth Wiley, Ed. Rowley and Nina Gay, the De Carlos, and Potts and La Rose closed with French's Sensation, No. 1, and joined Senation No. 2 at Pittsburg, Pa.

MORTIMER AND DARRELL will play their return date at Pastor's April 11.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston.—A notable engagement, and one that will undoubtedly prove one of the biggest successes of the season at the Hollis Street Theatre, is that of Julia Arthur, who opens at Manager Rich's house March 28, for a two weeks' stay, during which she will present "A Lady of Quality," supported by Edwin Arden and her company. The production will be on the same elaborate scale as made the New York one so notable. Last week "The Royal Box" drew well.

TREMONT THEATRE.—For the first time in Boston the favorite comedian, Digby Bell, will be seen at the Tremont, in the new comedy drama, "The Hoosier Doctor." Mr. Bell will have the support of Laura Joyce Bell, a genuine favorite here, and the members of the original company. The production is under the management of Duncan B. Harrison. Next week, the same. Last week Sol Smith Russell closed a fine date.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—Manager Magee makes an announcement for the current week that will unquestionably please his patrons, especially those of musical tastes. It is no less than the engagement of the popular Boston Lyric Co. for a season of eight weeks, the first of which, 28, will be devoted to "Dorothy." The reputation of the company was long ago firmly established in Boston, and Manager Magee has shown commendable judgment and enterprise in having secured them for such an extended booking. "Il Trovatore" will be given next week. Louis James, in "Othello," closed 26 a very good week.

BOSTON MUSEUM.—"Jack and the Beanstalk" continues its phenomenal engagement here, and it really appears as if the people would never tire of seeing it. Seats are still on sale two weeks in advance.

BOSTON THEATRE.—"The Old Homestead" was ever a favorite here, and that it has lost none of its prestige was strongly evinced last week by the crowded houses that welcomed Denman Thompson at every performance. Its second and last fortnight opens 28.

PARK THEATRE.—Many hundreds of patrons of this house flocked there last week to learn "What Happened to Jones," and, as it is still on, no doubt many hundreds more will be equally curious during the current week. Thursday night especially will see a crush, inasmuch as one of the quaintest souvenirs ever presented at any of our theatres will be distributed to each lady patron that evening, viz.: a silk American flag sofa cushion. What next? Next week, Willie Collier, in Du Souchet's 'The Man from Mexico."

COLUMBIA THEATRE.—"In Old Kentucky" was presented here last week, to profitable business, and is followed, week of 28, by Cora Tanner, in Robert Buchanan's sterling drama, "Alone in London.' Miss Tanner's leading support is Louis Massen. Next week, the John L. Sullivan Vaudeville Company, and the "big fellow" is sure of a warm welcome.

CASTLE SQUARE THEATRE.—Prosperity seems to steadily follow the fortunes of this house, if a constant attendance of large audiences is any criterion. For week of 28 the management present Madeline Lucette Ryley's comedy, "Christopher Jr.," with a cast headed by Horace Lewis, Lizzie Morgan, J. H. Gilmour, Mary Sanders and N. H. Fowler. Next week, "Esmeralda." Last week, "Alabama."

BOWDOIN SQUARE THEATRE.—"Camille" is billed here for week of 28. Fanny McIntyre will appear in the title role, Edward Esmond as Armand Duval, Teresa Ryan as Olympe and E. L. Sander as Count de Varville. Next week, "Leah, the Forsaken." Last week, "Unknown."

KEITH'S THEATRE.—Edwin Milton Royle, assisted by Selina Fetter Royle, opens 28 here in a "boiled down" version of Mr. Royle's play, "Capt. Impudence." Others on the bill are Papinta, the myriad dancer; Caron and Herbert, the Northern Troupe of international dancers, Musical Dale, Eckert and Berg, Letta and Minni, Hill and Whitaker, the Brilliant Quartet, the Brannigans, Hal. Merritt, the Reed Family of song birds, John H. Shepley, Deaves' marionettes, Prof. Gies and his stereopticon album, the animated song sheet chorus, and in the biograph is shown the wrecked warship Maine. Next week Chas. Dickson and his company will appear in a new farce comedy, styled "An Undeveloped Bud," presented for the first time on any stage. Joseph Hart and Carrie de Mar, in a new sketch, are booked here for the near future, also in rapid succession the Rossow Midgets, the Marco Twins and a score of other vaudeville stars.

PALACE THEATRE.—"Miss New York Jr." Joe Oppenheimer's spectacular production, is the big feature announced here for week of 28, and it will be staged with handsome young women in equally beautiful costumes, and a corps of capable comedians. The laughable burletta, "The Greater New York," opens the show and the skit entitled "Little Queen of Egypt" is the wind up. In the olio are Florence Edwards, transformation and mirror dancer; Harry Le Clair, female impersonator; Crawford and Manning, black face comiques and acrobats; the Morellas and their trick dogs, Tom Ripley, monologist and parody singer, and Marie de Rossett. The many friends of Business manager Geo. C. Francis, who has been in the Massachusetts General Hospital for more than a week, will be much pleased to learn that he is recovering from a severe attack of acute pneumonia.

HOWARD ATHENÆUM.—John W. Isham's Octoroons is billed here week of 28, opening the show (under the lead of Mme. Flower) with the farcical comedietta, "The Darktown Outing," and closing with "Thirty Minutes Around the Opera." In the olio: Madah Hyer, the Mallory Bros. and Marie Brooks, Kittie Carter, the Octoroon Quartet, Belle Davis, Murray and the Two Grants, and a terpsichorean novelty. In the Howard's "own show" are Annie Whitney, comedienne; Doyle and West, O'Connell and Mack, Parkinson and Roth, Tommy Hayes, trick bone soloist; John Weber, Fitzgibbon Bros., May Walsh, singer, and John R. Nalon, trick violinist.

AUSTIN & STONE'S MUSEUM.—In the lecture arena here for one week more will be camped Buffalo John's Cowboys, in their unique apparel and customs. The Sioux braves and squaws have excited unbounded interest during the week just past and numerous have been the queries put to Prof. Hutchins, the learned lecturer of the house, regarding the Wild West visitors, all of which he answers without hesitation. On the stage are the Three Sisters Passmore, singers, dancers and comediennes; Mons. and Mme. Selvani, equilibrists and shadowgraphists; the Clarton Family, polyphonists, ventriloquists and cartoonists; Tom and Tim Toole, Irish comedians; Patchin Brothers, acrobatic comedians; Lawrence Alburtias, strong man; Osbourne and Imhoff, knockabout comedians; Whiteley and Bell, German comedian and soubrette; Cliff Farrell, Edward Marvelle, Gallagher and Evans, and Manlo.

GRAND THEATRE.—The five act comedy drama, "The Upper Hand," will form the card here week of 28, with J. Gordon Edwards, James K. Keane, Edith Grand, Grace Otis and others of the house stock in the cast. In the specialty part of the entertainment are Austin and Holmes, eccentric comedians; M. J. Needham and J. A. Jones, Irish comedians; Alice and Lizzie Clifford, in the comedy sketch, "Her Ladyship;" William J. Troy, humorist and vocalist; the Ravel Trio, in pantomime, and Albert Dashington, in his peculiarly own turn, "The Funny Old Gal." Next week, Katherine Rober will appear in "Fanchon," supported by her own company, and during the same week Herbert A. Kennedy's one act play, "The Birth of Freedom," will be presented.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—The "Robin Hood Jr." Burlesque Co., led by Helen Russell, and comprising thirty people, opens here 28 for a single week. Besides Miss Russell the troupe includes Ruby Leon and Laura Wyle, together with others. In the olio are Juggler Provo, noted for his marvelous celerity in the hand deceiving the eye; Marlow and Plunkett, banjo comedians; McCabe and Sabine, Irish comics; Leoni and Wyle, singing soubrettes, and Hodges and Launchmere, a colored team. Two burlesques are in order at each performance.

NICKELODEON.—The sensation here during the past week has been Capt. Castro, the man who permits himself to be nailed, hands and feet, to the cross. Manager L. B. Walker has decided to retain the captain for one week more, and also will offer in the curio halls a pole climbing match by six young women, Salm Cid, the card juggler; May Albertia, the bag puncher, and Prairie May, with her Wild West curios. On the stage are the Raynor Sisters and a company in select burlesque and vivacious vaudeville.

NOTES.—The Olympia is the latest house added to Boston's amusement resorts, and a novel one it promises to be—novel in that we have never before had one exactly like it, and that it is located directly in the heart of "newspaper row"—in the very heart of the business centre and in a situation where it cannot fail in culling callers from the many thousands who pass its doors daily and during the evening. It is located at 250 Washington street, and will be opened April 4, under the management of Frank J. Howard and Nat Burgess, with the latter as acting director of the house. The Olympia will exhibit the rarest curiosities obtainable, and there is a big prospect for wonders in that line, the management being in correspondence with agencies in this country, Paris, Vienna and Berlin, and only the very newest will be shown. The house is being fitted up in first class style with a beautiful front and splendidly decorated lobby. The exhibitions will be given in two large halls, the lower one being set apart for curiosities and lectures, and the upper one to hourly variety shows. .....John C. Rice and Lottie Cohen will be at Keith's week of April 18, and will present their new sketch, "Our Honeymoon."....Theresa Ryan, who is in the cast of "Camille," at the Bowdoin Square, this week, is a well known and popular Boston girl.....Sol Smith Russell's Co. will tour the New England circuit during the next two weeks.....Richard Mansfield returns to the Hollis Street Theatre for a brief engagement, beginning April 11, and during which he will produce some of his notable successes.....Johnstone Bennett, supported by Geo. W. Leslie, comes to Keith's April 11, and will present her new sketch, "American Types."....Charles Emerson Cooke's new comic opera, "The Chorus Girl," will have its first presentation in this city May 16, at the Boston Museum. Bert Coote and Minnie Ashley are the leading people..... Col. Frank P. Stone and his party of friends returned to Boston evening of 26, after a six weeks' trip through Florida, where Col. Stone owns a large orange plantation. He brings back a number of rare curios for Austin & Stone's Museum, and also returns laden with a fund of information regarding the war sentiment of the people anent the Spanish trouble.....The Prisoner of Zenda" will be revived as the Easter week attraction at the Casple Square Theatre. It will be given by the house company and will be presented in the same finished manner that made its original production a notable one.....Emeralda" will follow "Christopher Jr." at the Castle Square Theatre.....Chas. Dickson, the comedian, appears at Keith's week of April 4, and, with Marie Booth and Grace George in support, will be seen in a new one act play, entitled "An Undeveloped Bud," its first time on any stage.....The Zoo has collapsed and closed its doors. Vale!

Fall River.—At the Academy of Music Leland T. Powers (Y. M. C. A. course), March 21, Primrose & West's Minstrels, 23, "Secret Service," 24, all appeared to big business, with the S. R. O. sign in evidence. Murray and Mack, in "Finnigan's Courtship," 26, had light attendance. "Sowing the Wind" comes 30, Edwin Mayo, in "Pudd'nhead Wilson," April 1; Corse Payton Comedy Co. 4-9.

CASTO THEATRE.—With Joseph J. Dowling, in "A Pillar of Salt," as a leading feature, Manager Haynes had an excellent week. Opening 28: Blanche Fernandez, with the animated song sheet; Casey and Le Clair, Johnston and Gorman, Andy Amann, St. Julian, H. C. Herbert and the Ramsey Sisters. April 4, Robert Hilliard, in "The Littl-st Girl."

RICH'S THEATRE.—The Merry Maidens, 21-23, and "Miss New York Jr." 24-26, drew fair houses. Booked: The Gay Girls of Gotham 31-April 2, Rice & Barton's Extravaganza Co. 14-16.

NICKELODEON MUSEE.—The bill at Manager Sheedy's house for the current week is as follows: Rosselly and Rostella, Harry Burnett, Hughes and Hughes, Hazard and Oliver, Mike Fenton, Geo. Bushnell and the Daytons.

FLINT MUSEUM.—Business is increasing to such an extent at Manager's Pollock's playhouse he has beautified both the interior and exterior of the museum. The stage will be enlarged and a new lobby will also be put in. This week: Murphy Bros., Miss Desmonde, Maurice, Billy Gardner, Bonenstein Sisters and Malty.

NOTES.—Through the kindness of Manager Sheedy, of the Nickelodeon, and Pollock, of the Flint Museum, the local Knights of Pythias and their invited guests, the Damocles Lodge of Brockton, were entertained evening of 24 by performers of said houses. John R. Nalon comedy and trick violinist, scored the hit of the evening, yet all made good..... Harry Fisher, for many years with Edward Harrigan, joined J. J. Dowling at the Casto 25, to play the part of Dr. Obelisk, which he will do in Dutch.....Manager Beck, of Rich's Theatre, was in Boston last week and canceled "The Broadway Belles," booked at his house 28-30.....Chas. Barringer and Marie Falls are booking the Summer at the Summer resorts, presenting their successful sketch "The Man From Over the Way,".....Diana, the mirror dance, and the Clover Trio are at the Casto week of April 11, and Ola Hayden comes April 18 .....At the close of the present season Managers Mason & Beck are contemplating to erect a lobby which will open on the main street. If the scheme materializes it is sure to be a big thing both for the theatre and the visiting managers.

Lynn.—At the Lynn Theatre a fair business was done by J. M. Waite March 20-22, with his "Passion Play" moving pictures . Coming: J. Walter Kennedy, the tragedian, in "Damon and Pythias," 28, for the benefit of Peter Woodland Lodge, Knights of Pythias; "Sowing the Wind" 29, Murray and Mack, in "Finnigan's Courtship," 30; "A Boy Wanted" April 2, Corse Payton Stock Co. 4-9.

TUXEDO MUSEE.—This house has been closed for a week. J. C. Watson, the manager, has been retired by the stockholders, and H. J. Hancock has been made treasurer and manager. Owing to the fact that the house was left without a license when Watson went away, it was necessarily closed. Treasurer Hancock expects to resume business some time the present week.

NOTES.—The Nickelodeon is no more. Its license was revoked by the authorities early last week, much complaint being made of the way things were carried on there, and the manager has left the town.....Ralph L. Carlisle, of this city, better known as "Wichita Jack," is filling an engagement at Austin & Stone's, Boston, in the Cowboy Convention.....Billy Burke, also of this city, is with Austin & Stone's stage show.

Lawrence.—At the Opera House Waite's Comedy Co. played its third and successful engagement the week of March 21, to good business. Two performances were given daily and the following specialty people appeared: Master "Dan" McCarthy, in illustrated songs; Kelley and Kent, and Mackey and Walker. The repertory included "The Wife," "Moths," "The Inside Track, "The Social Highwayman" and three extra exhibitions of the "Passion Play" pictures. Coming: "A Stranger in New York" 31, Murray and Mack April 1, "The Heart of Chicago" 2, the Wilbur Opera Co. 4-9.

NEW THEATRE.—"The Merry Maidens" opened 24-26, in burlesque In the olio were Lowry and Hanley, Bryant and Seville, Allen and Lingard, Madden and Curran, Johnson and Rice, and De Alden Sisters.

CASINO.—This house, which opened recently, seems to meet with success, as it is playing to good business. The house is managed by F. B. Schermerhorn. The past week opened with Sam Singer, Viola Emerson and Grey, and Ruth Spayer. The week of 28 bookings: The Walshes, Yankee Scott, John Whittle, Mae Hanley, Hugh J. Morrow, and Jessie Thomas.

Lowell.—At the Opera House the veriscope pictures of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight were shown March 24-26, to fair sized audiences. Booked: Fuller's lecture on "Cuba" 27, Murray and Mack 28, "Secret Service" 29, "A Stranger in New York" 30, Primrose & West's Minstrels April 1, 2.

MUSIC HALL.—Parisian Belles Burlesque Co. came March 21-23, to fair houses. The treasurer disappeared after the performance 23, and the company stranded. "Passion's Slave" (Geo. Weller, leading) came 24-26 to fair business. Booked: Hart's Big Specialty Co. 28-30, "The Thoroughbred" 31-April 2.

NICKELODEON.—Vanola Melburn, Griff Williams, Rosario, Violet Gleason and Mlle Le Marre are billed to open 28, for week.

Taunton.—At the New Theatre Primrose & West's Big Minstrels, March 21, pleased a large audience. Murray and Mack, 23, had a top heavy house, "Secret Service," 25, had one of the largest houses of the season. Corse Payton's Comedy Co. is due 28, for week.

ARKANSAS.

Hot Springs.—At the Opera House the Otto Kraus-Stout Combination, with Jennie Holman as the leading lady, opened Monday evening, March 21, a two weeks' engagement, at popular prices, packing the house from pit to dome, and turning many away. A change of play is given nightly, and big business has been the rule so far.

JOHNSON'S AMPHITHEATRE.—Last week's company having proved a drawing card it remains over week of 21 presenting a new bill, replete with the usual burlesque comedy and vaudeville specialties. Several new faces are booked for week 28.

Maurice Hageman has been secured as German translator by Howard & Doyle for one year. He has just completed "The Librarian."

PENNSYLVANIA.

Philadelphia.—Perhaps it is Lent, perhaps it is the lack of novelties, or perhaps a combination of both, but from whatever reason there was an appreciable falling off in the aggregate of attendance at the theatres last week. There is some brightening in the current programmes, and the prospects for the week are fair.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The concert by the Boston Symphony Orchestra on Monday night, and the three concerts by Sousa and his band Friday and Saturday of last week, brought out splendid business on each occasion.

BROAD STREET THEATRE.—This and next week Clyde Fitch's "The Moth and the Flame," presented by the Kelcey-Shannon Co., holds the boards at this house. Julia Marlowe closed her fortnight's engagement last Saturday, with a production of "As You Like It," in the afternoon and "Ingomar" in the evening. During the entire time the house was well filled, and the engagement, taken as a whole, should net a fair profit. The next attraction is Joseph Jefferson, opening April 11.

CHESTNUT STREET OPERA HOUSE.—The attraction for the week is "A Stranger in New York," which is transferred from the theatre. Lillian Russell, Della Fox and Jefferson De Angelis renewed their former success in "The Wedding Day" last week, and were awarded substantial patronage. Augustin Daly's Co. is the announcement for next week, playing the double bill, "The Subtleties of Jealousy" and "Number Nine."

CHESTNUT STREET THEATRE.—Monday, 28, begins a fortnight's engagement of "The French Maid" at this house. The four weeks of "A Stranger in New York" ended with the Saturday night performance. The last half of the engagement was not equal to the first in point of patronage. The coming attraction is "The Telephone Girl."

WALNUT STREET THEATRE.—For this week this house has May Irwin, in "The Swell Miss Fitzwell." "The Belle of New York" closed a very successful two weeks last Saturday, the vacant seats at any performance being few and far between. According to present arrangements this also ends the tour in this country. Several changes were made in the cast last week, in order to decide who is to cross the water with the company. Frank Lawton assumed the part of Blinky Bill, and James E. Sullivan that of the German. Next week, "What Happened to Jones."

PARK THEATRE.—Harkins and Barbour's version of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is the present week's card at this house. The extended engagemeat of Eugenie Blair created for her a good following here. The business continued good right up to the end of last week, when "Camille" and "East Lynne" were produced, and she is sure of a hearty welcome whenever she returns. Next week, Mme. Janauschek, in the new play, "What Dreams May Come."

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—The large stage of this house affords splendid opportunities for spectacular effect in the production of "Shenandoah" this week, and they are to be taken advantage of. The performances of "Rosedale" last week were even an improvement over those of "The Prisoner of Zenda" the week previous, the company working together with entire smoothness. Business continued satisfactory. It is probable, if the stock company continues a success, that it will be made permanent and play alternate engagements with the opera company. Next week "The Octoroon." Week of April 11, "Around the World in Eighty Days."

NATIONAL THEATRE.—"McFadden's Row of Flats" is the current attraction at this house. Elita Proctor Otis, in "Oliver Twist," drew large audiences last week. Next week, Al. Martin's "Uncle Tom's Cabin." April 11 brings the new stock company, headed by A. H. Stuart and Jessie Bonstelle. The other names so far disclosed are Emily Rigl, Dorothy Usner, P. Aug. Anderson, Bartley McCullum and Thomas Powers. Josef Physioc is to have charge of the scenic equipments.

FOREPAUGH'S THEATRE.—The stock company's production this week is "Northern Lights." "East Lynne" was capably played last week, and the performances were well attended. Next week, "Camille."

PEOPLE'S THEATRE.—The current attraction at this house is "The Electrician." Last week "The Pacific Mail" attracted fairly good houses. Next week, "At Piney Ridge."

GIRARD AVENUE THEATRE.—"The Strange Adventures of Miss Brown" will serve to amuse the patrons this week, and the performance will be further enlivened by the introduction of numerous specialties. Last week "The Prodigal Daughter" was given a splendid representation by the stock, and large audiences gave many expressions of approval. "The Rajah" is in rehearsal for next week.

STANDARD THEATRE.—The play for production by the stock this week is "Old Glory." "The Danites" was capably played last week and the house was well filled at each performance. The cinematographe remains a popular feature.

THE BIJOU.—The excellent vaudeville bill this week contains Johnstone Bennett and George W. Leslie, in "American Types;" Jowe, Wall and Walters, Hilda Thomas and Frank Barry, Olympia Quartet, Alex. Heindel, Lillie Western, Brothers Damm, the animated song sheet, with Ida Pusey as soloist; T. Nelson Downs, Farnum Brothers, John and Bertha Gleeson, Prof. Mapes, the Donovans, John R. Harty, Lewis and Elliott, the Wilson Family and the Ricketts. With continued good vaudeville the continued good attendance is not to be wondered at.

THE AUDITORIUM.—Mme. Modjeska, supported by Joseph Haworth and her company, is seen this week in repertory, as follows: Monday night and Saturday matinee, "Mary Stuart;" Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights, "Macbeth;" Wednesday night, "Magda," and Thursday night, "As You Like It." The features provided by Hopkins' Trans-Oceanic Star Specialty Co. last week proved entertaining, and large audiences were the result.

ELEVENTH STREET OPERA HOUSE.—The two new burlesques, "The Yellow Kid's Army" and "Our Progressive Euchre Party," which proved to be entertaining skits on their production last week, are continued. "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," a patriotic tableau, is also to be seen nightly. The bill last week afforded pleasure to good sized audiences.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—For the present week this house has Levantine's European Sensation. The excellent attendance bestowed on Rice & Barton's Gaiety last week was well merited. Next week, the Merry Widows.

THE TROCADERO.—Rose Sydell's London Belles, which was at an uptown house last week, provide the current bill. The patrons were well cared for last week by Flynn & Sheridan's City Sports, and in return they kept the house well filled. Next week, Harry Morris' Twentieth Century Maids.

KENSINGTON THEATRE.—During the current week the White Crook Burlesque Co. is seen in a varied bill. Rose Sydell's London Belles drew well last week, and deserve the patronage bestowed upon it. Next week, the Winter Circus.

NINTH AND ARCH MUSEUM.—The female athletes remain over this week, and other features in the curio hall are Texas Ben and Ann. Prince Ramshi and curios from Africa and Prof Irwin. A series of pictures of the Maine disaster will be exhibited on the cineograph, and the vaudeville contains D'Alma's dog and monkey circus, Mason and Mason, Chris Green, Conley and Mack, Chulita, Ward and Reagan, and the Bushnell Sisters. The many interesting features last week created splendid business.

NOTES.—Monday night at the Grand Opera House is Army and Navy night, and a large number of the U. S. officers and men who are at present in the city will attend in uniform.....On Thursday afternoon, April 21, at the Chestnut Street Opera House, the play, "Adelaide," will be presented by David Bispham, with the assistance of Julie Opp and others, and a musical programme rendered by Marguerite Hall and the American Symphony Orchestra.....Edward Esmonde is a new reported engagement for the Forepaugh Stock Co.....John Craig is to remain at the Grand Opera House. He had a contract with the management of another house here, and this gave rise to the report that he would join the other stock; but, taking advantage of the usual two weeks' clause, he resigned, and will remain under the present management ..... The exact sum netted by the Maine benefit at the Academy of Music, March 11, was $6,230.89.....T. F. Kelly, manager of the National Theatre, has gone to Lakewood for his health, which has not been good for some time past, and on his return will go South for six weeks, and then to his cottage at Cape May.....The Pringle Sisters will be a musical feature with the stock at the National Theatre.....A large picture of "Sheridan's Ride" by John Mulvany, has been placed on view in the lobby of the Grand Opera House.....Two concerts by the Seidl Orchestra will be given at the Academy on the afternoon and evening of April 23, with Mme. Rive-King as soloist.....The last concert by the Kneisel Quartet at the Broad on Monday afternoon, will have Alexender Siloti, the piano virtuoso, as soloist. .....The last of the series of six classical concerts by the Beethoven String Quartet occurs at the New Century Drawing Room on Thursday evening.....On Friday and Saturday evenings, at the New Century Drawing Room, Max Heinrich will give two song recitals with the assistance of Julia Heinrich.

Harrisburg.—Business dropped off during the past week, partially the result of the bad weather. Advance sales give evidence of better business during the coming week.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—"The Heart of Chicago," March 21, had a good house. Robert J. Burdette failed to appear 22, on account of illness. "The Isle of Champagne" attracted small houses, afternoon and evening 23. Cissy Fitzgerald, 24, Creston Clarke, 25, and Robert G. Ingersoll, 26, were greeted by small audiences. The coming attractions include: De Wolf Hopper, in "El Capitan," 28; Joe Ott 29 (return engagement), Castle Square Opera Co. afternoon and evening, 30.

BIJOU THEATRE.—This house closes as an amusement place April 1. Manager Harry Davis, of Pittsburg, Pa., the lessee, was here 25, 26, and disposed of his scenery, chairs, etc. A portion of the outfit has been purchased for the new opera house at Carlisle. The house has not been a big money maker since the first season, five years ago. It will probably be the sight for the new Board of Trade building.

NOTES.—Mitchell's Glass Blowers and Art Museum drew small crowds during week of 21. They remain another week and then go to Lebanon.....Ully Hill, formerly treasurer at the Bijou Theatre, was in the city 24-26. Mr. Hill is looking after his Summer enterprises, including the City Vaudeville Club and Africano. Mr. Hill was royally entertained by a number of friends at the Grand Hotel 24.....Manager Appell returned 26 from a trip in the interest of his road enterprises .....Charles Murray is now in charge of Manager Appell's scenic studio. .....Keene, magician, was a visitor to the city 26. He has arranged extensive plans for next season, when he will present a number of novelties.....Lew Dale, black face comedian, was a visitor to the city 22.....Ed. Rowland, manager of Lincoln J. Carter's "The Heart of Chicago," surprised his many friends in this city 21. He has not appeared here for ten years. Mr. Rowland was always a great favorite here, and his friends were glad to know of his success. He appeared in the role of Bradley during the engagement here, and made a big hit. Nellie Pierce assumed the role of Emily on very short notice, succeeding Illva Canningham.....Much disappointment was expressed, 28, because of the non-appearance of Katherine Germaine and Emille Gardini, in "The Isle of Champagne." The latter is a resident of Steelton, a suburb of this city, and as it was to be her first appearance here as a professional her friends were anxious to give her a royal welcome. It was subsequently learned that Miss Gardini had joined a stock organization at Toronto, Can. No explanation was given regarding Katherine Germaine's absence. Her place was creditably filled by Maude Lillian Berri, who scored a big hit.....Frank Ridesdale, a member of "The Isle of Champagne" Co., was warmly greeted by his friends. He is well known throughout Central Pennsylvania, having filled a number of successful Summer engagements..... Charles Johnson, who was seriously ill with pneumonia, has recovered. He belongs to the team known as the Johnson Brothers, jugglers.....Clarence Rummell left 21 to join Leon Washburn's Minstrels.....Bessie Meck, soprano, of Carlisle, is a new member of the Andrews Opera Co., having joined them at Lancaster.... Ed. Ahl left 26 to join Irwin's Trilby Village Co., at Springfield, Ill. He has been connected with Mitchell's Glass Blowers.

Altoona.—At the Eleventh Avenue Opera House "Eight Bells" was well received March 22. Cissy Fitzgerald had fair attendance 23. Robert Fitzsimmons tested the capacity of the house 24. The Castle Square Opera Co. is due 29, "The Sporting Duchess" April 1, Katie Emmett 2, "A Stranger in New York" 5, Fanny Rice 6, H. H. Barbour 7.

NEW MOUNTAIN CITY THEATRE.—The Watson Sisters drew packed houses 14-19. Harris' Burlesquers is booked April 4. Coup's Educated Horses booked 28, has canceled.

VINCENT D. HUDSON, stage manager of the Eleventh Avenue Opera House, died at the City Hospital 24, as a result of injuries sustained from falling from the porch roof of his boarding house, while in a state of somnambulism. Mr. Hudson was thirty six years of age. He was at one time a member of the Henshaw-Ten Broeck Co. He was also an official umpire in the Pennsylvania Baseball League, and six years ago he accepted the position of stage manager of the Eleventh Avenue Opera House, which he retained until his death.

Scranton.—At the Lyceum Chauncey Olcott, March 23, 24, came to crowded houses. Smith & Rice's Comedy Co., in "The Old Coat," is due 31.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The Sawtelle Dramatic Co. is due week of 28. The King Dramatic Co., week of 21, was well received.

LINDEN.—The Stock Co., in "Uncle Tom's Cabin," week of 21. The stock will give repertory week of 28.

MUSIC HALL.—Flynn & Sheridan's Big Sensation Co. 28-30. The London Bells, 24-26, did well.

Lancaster.—At the Fulton Opera House "My Friend from India" had a large house March 23. "The Isle of Champagne" had very good business 24. The Labadie Co., in "Faust," did fairly well 25. Creston Clarke and company appeared in "David Garrick" and "The Last of His Race," to large houses, matinee and evening, 26. Due: Bob Fitzsimmons 28, De Wolf Hopper's in "El Capitan," 29; The Sporting Duchess" 30, Castle Square Opera Co., in "Il Trovatore," 31.

Erie.—At Park Opera House Hoyt's "A Contented Woman," March 22, was favored with a full house, standing room only being posted at 8 P. M. The play made a great hit here, pleasing everybody. Kate Claxton's "Two Orphans" came 24, to fair business. Coming: Stuart Robson 30, "A Baggage Check" April 2.

Easton.—At Able Opera House, March 22, "Darkest Russia" played to a good house. "My Friend from India" had good business 25. De Wolf Hopper is due 31.

CONNECTICUT.

New Haven.—The combined efforts of inclement weather and the Lenten season had no depressing effect upon theatricals locally last week, and the volume of business done was larger, probably, than in any other week of the season.

HYPERION.—The attractions here were of an unusually high class, and as a result the S. R. O. sign was brought into requisition at nearly every performance. Mrs. Leslie Carter, in "The Heart of Maryland," March 21-23, came to big business. Sousa's Band, 24, had a crowded house. William Gillette, in "Secret Service," 25, and E. H. Sothern, in "The Adventures of Lady Ursula," 26, both came to standing room only. For the immediate future Mr. Bunnell has succeeded in booking some excellent attractions. Richard Golden and Katherine Germaine, in "The Isle of Champagne," come 29; Sol Smith Russell, in "The Rivals" and "A Bachelor's Romance," 30; John Philip Sousa's comic opera, "The Bride Elect," April 1, 2 (return engagement); Frank Daniels, in "The Idol's Eye," 4, 5; "What Happened to Jones," 8, 9.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—Last week's business was very satisfactory from a financial point of view, "Tennessee's Pardner," March 21-23, and John L. Sullivan and company, 24-26, both receiving liberal patronage. "Side Tracked" is due 28-30, N. S. Wood, in "The Orphans of New York" and "Out in the Streets," 31-April 2.

POLI'S WONDERLAND THEATRE.—Standing room only was last week's record at this popular theatre. This week: Clifford and Huth, Kittie Mitchell, Thomas D. Daly, Fields and Salina, Conroy and McDonald, Gardner and Gilmore, Prof. Goldin, Keno and Welch, and Felix.

NOTES.—The receipts of John L. Sullivan were attached in this city, 26, on a judgment for $80 for back salary secured by Edward Wonn, a former member of the company. The attachment was later released.....At the concert at the Hyperion, 24, when Sousa's band played "The Star Spangled Banner," everyone in the audience, nearly 3,000, showed their patriotism by simultaneously rising and remaining standing during its rendition. Handkerchiefs were waved, and the scene was one of inspiration.....Louis Perle is now acting as musical director at Poli's Wonderland Theatre.

Hartford.—The past week has probably been one of the best theatrical weeks that Hartford has ever known, and the theatregoing public evidenced their appreciation of the excellence of the attractions offered by turning out *en masse* at every performance.

PARSONS' THEATRE.—"The Heart of Maryland," with Mrs. Leslie Carter and the same big cast that sails for London March 30, drew two completely filled houses, matinee and night, 26. One of the best melodramatic performances ever seen here was the universal opinion. William Gillette might well feel proud of the reception accorded him by his townspeople during his four nights' engagement, 21-24, with "Secret Service." The demand for seats was so enormous that he gave a matinee performance. Mr. Gillette, W. B. Smith and Hope Rose appear with "Secret Service" for the last time at Springfield, 26, and play for one week with "Two Much Johnson" at Washington, which Mr. Gillette takes to London for a Summer run, sailing April 6. Byron Douglass continues in Mr. Gillette's role in "Secret Service." E. H. Sothern and Virginia Harned presented "The Adventures of Lady Ursula" to an audience that filled every available space in the theatre 25. Due: "The Passion Play" pictures by the cinematographe 28, 29. Hartford Wheel Club Minstrels 30. Sol Smith Russell 31, Otis Skinner April 1, 2, "Isle of Champagne" 5, 6, "Tennessee's Pardner" 7-9, "The Idol's Eye" 11, 12.

HARTFORD OPERA HOUSE.—Notwithstanding the enormous business of the other house, this house had its usual profitable returns. "Miss New York Jr." had full houses 21-23, Graham's cake walk did a nice business 24, and "The Tarrytown Widow" pleased good sized audiences 25-26. Due: The Spooners, in repertory, week of 28.

JAY HUNT, of Boston, consummated a deal last week, through his agent, Fred. D. Straffin, whereby he will control Weder's Park from May to November next. Summer vaudeville will be run at popular prices. Decoration Day is the opening date.....Mr. Semon, first man in advance of Buffalo Bill's Wild West, was in town 23. The show appears here May 27.....Byron Ongley, who so cleverly handled Company K's "Shenandoah," has accepted an engagement as stage manager for the Denver Stock Co. for the Summer.

Bridgeport.—At Smith's Auditorium no record

TONY PASTOR'S THEATRE.—Devotees of continuous vaudeville rushed to this house Monday afternoon and evening, March 28, and thronged the seats and open spaces until standing room was no more. While this is no uncommon occurrence here, the potency of the reigning bill probably served to attract the profitable marshaling of variety lovers, who found excellent entertainment in a bill long, strong and varied. In the engagement of Marie Le Blanc, who made her American debut, Manager Pastor furnishes an echo of his olden custom of bringing across the briny some of the best foreigners. It is pleasant to note that these newcomers invariably find these audiences ready to give attentive hearing to importations, and Miss Le Blanc was not singled out for exception. In the afternoon she prospered fairly, but a more happy selection of songs for the night show brought her strong success, and she can be accredited with having fully proved her metal. Julie Mackey struck a friendly audience at the outset of her song list, and before finishing had roused the house to vigorous responses. Her hit was strong. Mr. and Mrs. Robyns offered a new sketch, "Mrs. Van Nostrand's Burglar," which shed a new vaudeville light upon their talents without detracting from their past achievements. They were cordially welcomed back, and rounded out sterling success solely upon their acknowledged merits. "All's Well That Ends Well" is a truly Smith and Campbelle title for the chatter which has made these young men standing favorites everywhere. No talking act equals them in wit, and few even approach them in ability to make people laugh, and eventually wonder why they did so. Our old friends, John and Nellie McCarthy, parody banjoists, comedy sketchists and comic singers, were in strong evidence among the successful ones, their following at this house being numerous and of long standing. Their work was very properly received with favor, and the little Hale Sisters also found an abundance of reward for their successful entertaining efforts. Harry Foy and Flo Clark, returning to old friends, scored a rousing hit by their smart comedy, very good singing and liveliness of manner, which shows commendable zeal in entertaining. Others to amuse were the Tanakas, Jones and Walton, Brothers Martini, Fuller and Harrington, Chas. and May Morrell, and Lorraine and Howell. For next week Marie Le Blanc will be retained, others prominent in the proposed bill being Ed. Lawrence and Nina Harrington, Ward and Curran, and Dolan and Lenharr.

PROCTOR'S THEATRE. — Filled to its capacity nightly is this popular resort with audiences that give full proof of being pleased with the entertainment presented by General Manager Fynes. Opening March 28, for week, an unusually attractive bill was presented, many of the acts being representative in their respective lines. John Mason, assisted by Adelaide Hersh and Beatrice Leslie, presented John Fowler and Chas. Jerome Wilson's musical comedietta, entitled "Benjamin's Bessie," which immediately found favor. The work of these three performers is well known in this city, and the cordial reception given them at the opening performance was warranted by their efforts. The skit is bright in dialogue and contains several songs which are rendered by Mr. Mason with good effect. Lillian Burkhart appeared in her most recent success, "A Passing Fancy," and repeated her former well earned successes in this city. Ed. Latell, than whom no black face musical comedian is more popular, appeared in his monologue of mirth and music and was a top notch favorite. Madeline Kilpatrick and Wm. H. Barber (who appeared at Mr. Proctor's uptown house last week, but who were inadvertently omitted in our notice of the house) presented their trick bicycle act and proved to be among the best in their line. Being well known as American performers, their trick riding is familiar in this city, but prior to their appearance at the Pleasure Palace last week they had not been seen here working together, and never have they better deserved success than they do as a team. Few tricks possible on the bicycle are not performed by them, and the warm welcome which fell to their lot must have been gratifying. Henry J. Bagge, assisted by Edwin Wallace and Ruth Royal, presented "A Tragedy in Bohemia," which proved an A1 laugh maker and scored a success. Bicknell, a clay modeler of more than ordinary ability, made his first appearance at this house and won rounds of applause for his clever work. Prof. Morris' trained ponies pleased the young and old folks alike with remarkable exhibitions of equine intelligence. Johnson and Dean, a clever duo of colored comedians, were in prime favor. Others who were popular were: Coakley and Huested, in a dancing specialty; James W. Reegan, tenor singer; the Brothers Fortuni, comedy acrobats; R. H. Mohr, crayon artist; Daly and Devere, Irish comedians; the Fansons, in a sketch, and the McDonough Trio of Grotesque Gymnasts. Sunday's concert included Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Robyns, Hilda Thomas and Frank Barry, Florence Bindley, Fisher and Carroll, Alf Holt, Stinson and Merton, and the Blondells.

WEBER & FIELDS' MUSIC HALL.—"Pousse Cafe" began March 28 its eighteenth merry week before the usual crowded house. "The Con-Curers," the latest addition to the burlesque, has been improved and somewhat quickened in action, and its witty lines, pretty music and handsome costumes nightly win approval. Bessie Clayton, in her new dances, continues a prime favorite. The olio opening Monday night included O'Brien and Havel, in their sketch, "A Newsboy's Courtship." The singing and dancing of Miss Havel won much favor for her, while the "stunts" of Mr. O'Brien captured the house. Mary Norman, in her drawing room monologue, was retained and was still popular. O'Rourke and Burnette, wooden shoe buck dancers, found favor. The bill for the Sunday concert, 27, included: Maurice Barrymore, Alice Atherton, Willis P. Sweatnam, Mary Norman, Jones, Grant and Jones, Ed. French, Nester and Bennett, and Fields and Stuart.

LONDON THEATRE.—May Howard has returned here this week, and good houses greeted her Monday evening, March 28. "The Naughty French Girl" and "The Three Lost Brothers" remain the start and finish of the performance, and the intervening diversions are furnished by Cunningham and Grant in their knockabout work, during which they keep the base drummer busy. Ruth Robinson, in a series of songs; Udell and Pearce, singing comedians, whose act went well, in spite of their voices being impaired by severe colds; the Tyrolean Warblers, Phil Mills, who danced and made breaks with Vinnie Henshaw's valuable assistance, and Williamson and Stone, two darkey comedians, who sang and danced well. Next week, the Moulin Rouge Co.

MINER'S BOWERY THEATRE.—The Broadway Burlesquers drew a crowded house Monday evening, March 28, and the performance, which varies in a few instances from the one presented on their former visit, was thoroughly enjoyed. Dan McAvoy was the leading spirit in the bill, and Dick Bernard gave an excellent impersonation of the Dutchman. Gertrude Rutledge contributed vocal selections with good effect, and played the Duke in the burlesque. Jas. F. Hoey is specially engaged to close the olio, and had a hearty welcome. Gilbert and Goldie, the Dunbar Sisters, the Two Judges, and McAvoy and May completed the olio. Next week, the Gay Masqueraders.

IRVING PLACE THEATRE.—Agnes Sorma made her appearance in "Divorcons" on Monday evening, March 28.

EMIL RICHARD, a well known North German actor, arrived in New York March 26, and appeared at the Germania Theatre Sunday, 27, in "Durchgegangene Neiber" ("Eloped Wives.")

PEOPLE'S THEATRE.—Go-Won-Go Mohawk is playing an engagement here this week, and opened to a good sized house Monday evening, March 28, and the company and play gave satisfaction. Next week, Creston Clarke, in "The Last of His Race."

THIRD AVENUE THEATRE.—Patriotism and the Cuban question form a timely topic in this week's bill, "The Last Stroke" being the attraction. The lobby and auditorium are draped with flags. At the performance on Monday evening, March 28, applause was frequent. The company is thoroughly capable and is headed by True S. James, as Richard Vance, and Edgar Forrest, as Valdez. Albert Sackett, Thad Shine, Neil Florence, Ed. R. Phillips, Robert Van Dusen, George Floyd, Ambrose Peel, Howard Millet, Agnes Ardeck, Celia Alsberg and Minnie Victorson complete the cast. Next week, "A Trip to Coontown."

EMPIRE THEATRE.—"The Conquerors" began on March 28 the thirteenth week of its run. The one hundredth performance, announced for 30, will be made a souvenir occasion. The business is still large.

HERALD SQUARE THEATRE.—"Monte Carlo" started on March 28 upon the second week of its run with very good prospects. Some changes have been made in the work, and throughout its first week it secured good attendance.

KEITH'S THEATRE.—Lent has had a tendency to put a crimp in the box office takings at this house thus far, but on Monday, March 28, the week began with many standees in evidence nevertheless. The excellency of the variety offering is probably largely responsible for this agreeable condition of affairs, as Resident Manager Hodgdon is certainly entitled to credit for the picking of entertainers which he weekly furnishes. For the current days the top sawyers are the Roger Brothers, who sputter their cracked German and flounce about the stage, with comedy results that straightway mark them a hit. Their singing carries conviction of ability, and their act rounds out the accustomed strong success to which their abilities so justly entitle them. For a second week are John C. Rice and Sally Cohen retained, and their occupancy of the centre of the stage foots up a total of favor, and the audience evidently agreed fully with the man who told Press Eldridge that he was "The Commande-in-Chief of the Grand Army of Fun." He is certainly stage soldier enough to constantly carry an abundance of jokelet ammunition. Ed. M. Favor and Edith Sinclair, and J. J. Dowling and Myra Davis are paired in sketches which find approval in accord with their merit, which in the Dowling-Davis couplet does not approach flood tide. Paulinetti and Pico, in grotesque acrobatics, formulate a routine of "stunts" which, with a strong comedy interlude, commend them to a hit, and Eddie Giguere and Blanche Boyer afford good amusement through the medium of their taking specialty. The others interested in this week's amusement are: C. W. Littlefield, Leavitt and Newell, comedy sketchists; the Three Melrose Brothers, acrobats; Guilbert, equilibrist and hand balancer; the Le Roys, dancers; Quinn, Cameron and Farley, in a melange of comedy and dancing, and Clifford A. Wiley. One of the neatest things offered is the sand modeling which Mlle. Rombello introduces for the first time here.

PLEASURE PALACE.—An excellent bill is current at this uptown house of vaudeville, and the usual big attendance was in evidence at the opening performances, March 28, Lenten dullness apparently being a stranger to both the show and the auditors. The bright particular star of the programme is that winsome character comedienne, Bessie Bonehill, who has an entirely new repertory of songs, and her friends present on Monday were loath to let her depart. Solaret, in her electric light dances, excited much admiration, and proved herself one of the best exponents of the Loie Fuller style of dancing yet seen. The Maginleys, in their thrilling aerial novelties, were greeted with hearty applause when the close of their act released the tenison upon the nerves of the audience. Phyllis Allen charmed with her contralto voice in sweet melodies. Her debut upon the uptown vaudeville stage was made by Isabella Urquhart, who produced, for the first time in this section of the city, her new sketch, "A Strange Baby," and found instant favor. Josephine Gassman and her pickaninnies, were a feature of the bill and easily won their way into the good graces of the auditors. The biograph continues to excite popular enthusiasm. The new scenes taken in Havana and its harbor, the panoramic views of the Maine wreck, showing divers at work, and Consul General Lee particularly aroused the patriotic feeling to a high pitch, while the picture of the Spanish ship Vizcaya provoked a veritable whirlwind of hisses. Among the other clever numbers on the programme were the Australian Trio, musical comedy experts; Eldora and Norine, equilibrists and jugglers; Emmonds, Emerson and Emmonds, comedy trio; Collins and Collins, singers, dancers and comedians; Fisher and Carroll, Irish comiques; Ward and Curran, singing sketchists, and the musical Ravens. The Sunday concerts here are still a popular feature, a notable galaxy of talent being arrayed March 22. Mrs. Annie Yeamans and other good cards are promised for next week.

MINER'S EIGHTH AVENUE THEATRE.—Piloted by Ike Rose and managed by Robert Manchester, Gus Hill's Gay Masqueraders made its first city appearance at this house Monday, March 28, when a good house welcomed the entertainers to the West Side. Manager Manchester has arranged a one scene first part, entitled "The Sporty Widows," which serves to introduce the entire company in dances, song and comedy pranks, the olio closely following, to fill the interlude until the closing burlesque, "A Jay at Coney Island, or The Female Bathers," which again presented the strength of the company in various styles of free hand physical display, the costuming and accessories bringing into prominence the statuesque charms of all the ladies concerned. During the closing division of the show Pauline Mayhew displays her dexterity at pummeling a punching bag, and in the first part the Electric Clark Sisters find pronounced favor for their Scottish dances; Teddy Pasquelina, although cast in minor positions, also forging to prominence because of her attention to business and evident sincerity in her desire to earn her salary. She well deserves better fate than that of an "also ran" burlesquer. The olio is robust in clever specialty particulars, three acts being exceptionally noteworthy, *i. e.*, Sparrow's juggling bout, Lorenz and Allen's comedy and dancing, and the work of the Electric Clark Sisters, who comprise a battery of pleasing singing force and dancing deftness beyond the average. Opening the strictly specialty part of the amusement, Al. H. Weston offers a monologue, George and Lolo Vougeres offer French eccentrics coupled with a spice of French suggestiveness, and Prof. Nick Brown, assisted by Lydia Camille, also contribute to the offering of fun and frolic, which is agreeably interlarded from start to finish. Demonstrations of approval for all that was worthy proved that the audience was in touch with the occasion, and their verdict should aid materially in making the current days profitable to the managerial wampum belt. Andy Hughes returns the Gay Girls of Gotham to West Side consideration next week.

CASINO.—"In Gay New York" returned on March 28 to this house, the place of its nativity, and was warmly greeted by an audience that tested even the standing room. Among those in the cast who were most cordially welcomed were: Walter Jones, Lee Harrison, Christine Blessing, Jeannette Bageard and Crissie Carlisle. Gertrude Zella acceptably filled the role of Sally Tompkins, and Julius Steger, especially engaged for his original role of Prince Rouge-et-Noir, won several recalls. The burlesque portion of the production, contained in the second act, proved to be somewhat stale, and while the travesties therein included may still have value upon the road, they are too much out of date for a metropolitan audience. At the close of the performance the members of "The Belle of New York" Company, on the eve of their departure for England, appeared upon the stage in street costume, and were warmly greeted by the audience and by the members of the sister company. Walter Jones sang a song in which some of the principals of "The Belle" Co. were mentioned by name, patriotic airs were sung, and speeches were made by Mr. Jones, Dan Daly and George W. Lederer. The house was handsomely decorated with flags, and the audience was fairly enthusiastic, although somewhat wearied by a performance which lasted almost to the midnight hour.

HUBER'S PALACE MUSEUM.—Arthur Miller has marshaled his female push ballists here for an engagement which promises to afford much amusement to patrons, if their reception on Monday, March 28, can be taken as a criterion. An abundance of merriment results from their struggles with the giant sphere, curio hall being a lively place during their bout with the ball. Manager Anderson has also secured other attractions for this department which put the waiting audience in good humor for the stage show, which continues Minnie Schult as the reigning favorite. This week she trains her vocal guns on things patriotic, and the tumult which ensues proves that her forceful presentations are welcomed by the waiting "minute men." She adds, for good measure, a number of ballads, which, rendered in her own skilful way, bring great applause and firmly fix her in favor with the changing throng, which cheer her on to strong hits at all shows. Others billed are: Pacy and Henley, the Barron Duo, Rossley and Lee, Tillie Russell, Donnelly and Mack, Ben Welch, the Halls and the Delmaynes. Business continues at the top notch, a result invariably attendant upon the good shows Manager Anderson presents here weekly.

GARRICK THEATRE.—Maude Adams, in "The Little Minister," is now in the twenty-first week of her engagement at this house. The condition there remains unchanged, the demand for seats being as great as ever, and the house being filled to its capacity at every performance.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.—Mrs. Fiske began a brief season here on March 28, with her dramatic "find," "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," again to the fore. The audience that greeted her was exceptionally large for a Lenten gathering, and the production, which has returned with but few changes, was received with the fervid acclamations that are beyond question its due. Mrs. Fiske's splendid performance has been given full credit, and nothing remains to be said now other than that it received the highest possible sanction on the opening night in rousing and prolonged bursts of applause. Frederic De Belleville now plays Alec, and he contributes some praiseworthy work, while Forrest Robinson, to whom the part of Angel Clare is now assigned, gives a most creditable account of himself. Mary Shaw is another player new to our theatregoers in her present role, and her past work had given ample justification for the belief that her rendering of the part of Marion would be in all respects excellent; nor was the audience disappointed in this expectation, for Miss Shaw has scarcely done anything more worthy. John Jack played his original character, and his work stood out conspicuously, despite the clever people by whom he was surrounded. The cast is: Angel Clare, Forrest Robinson; Alec Stoke-D'Urberville, Frederic de Belleville; John Durbeyfield, John Jack; Abraham Durbeyfield, Anna Vislaire; Farmer Crick, James Morley; Johnathan, Wilfrid North; James, Frank McCormack; Tim, George Trader; Bailiff, F. McCormack; Joan Durbeyfield, Mary E. Barker; Tess, Mrs. Fiske; 'Liza Lu, Edith Wright; Marian, Mary Shaw; Izz, Dorothy Chester; Retty, Sydney Cowell.

FOURTEENTH STREET THEATRE.—Duncan B. Harrison's presentation of "Fun on Board the Pacific Mail," with Robert E. Graham the feature of the acting company, and Marguerite Cline, the Tipperary song bird, strongly billed as an extra incentive for general patronage, reached this resort Monday, March 28, in the course of its tour of the Eastern territory, a gratifying degree of patronage showing justification for belief that the week will end profitably. Although specially engaged as a prima donna soprano, Mme. Alexa's classic selections melted into nothingness when Mlle. Cline reached the stage centre for her inning. Encouraged by the urgings of an evidently loyal following, "Our Own Maggie" paraded her vocalisms through a gamut of robusto songs which ended in the ultimate downfall of McClosky of old, in which, strange as it may seem, the audience evidenced heartless delight. The company which presented the evening's play served excellently well in their mission of amusement, individual honors falling to Mr. Graham, Marion Abbott, an always capable actress; Helen Lowell and a few others. The cast: Sylvanus Urban Esq., R. E. Graham; Mrs. Urban, Marion Abbott; Captain Weatherby, Wm. Riley Hatch; Colin Croft, Osborne Searle; Greenwich, Wm. Johnson; Sir Barnaby Bruce, Sidney Price; Ida Bruce, Gerry Ames; Mr. Winks, Edward Cole; Judge Yancey, C. C. Patterson; Amoret Yancey, Clarrisse Lane; Mrs. Chiverly, Effie Dinsmore; Humphrey Cossett, Gus De Vere; Lucilla Cossett, Carolyn Cook; Harvey Packlemerton, M. Fehrman; Euphemia Packlemerton, Helene Lowell; Milly Prout, Adelaide Burton; Major Fogarty, Samuel Lewis; Montague Carlton Esq., Chas. B. Powell; "Coolidge Brothers," Chas. Craig; Wah Shing, L. M. Martell; Hop Soke, C. G. Ferris; Li Ki Li Ki, Frances Desmond. Next week, "The Girl from Paris."

STAR THEATRE.—Continuing her successful starring tour, Elita Proctor Otis brought her splendid production of "Oliver Twist" to this resort Monday, March 28, to spend the ensuing week in thrilling the backbone of the strong following this house has gathered to its command. Liberal occupancy of the seats proved that the star and play have an attractiveness which profitably combats the Lenten apathy, and those who took advantage of their opportunities were amply rewarded. Miss Otis won a verdict of strong approval for her masterly portrayal of Nancy, and her featured assistant, Chas. Barron, portrayed Bill Sykes most effectively. Miss Otis is supported by a good company, the play is staged with much evident care to detail, and with the star's known ability as a first incentive, "Oliver Twist" is given with a general result of complete satisfaction which should bring profit in abundance on the week. The cast: Nancy, Elita Proctor Otis; Fagin, H. G. Carleton; Bumble, Louis Hendricks; The Artful Dodger, Charles Danby; Oliver Twist, Daisy Lovering; Mr. Brownlow, J. E. Comerford; Toby Crackit, Melvin Ryan; Charley Bates, Thomas Maguire; Monks, H. G. Comerford; Barney, M. O'Brien; Mr. Vellum, Charles Harris; Clerk of the Court, Henry Beane; Fang, Thomas T. Whitling; Butcher Boy, R. Runyon; Police Officer, William Schroeder; Baker, Officer and Turnkey, Messrs. Wilson, Mills and Young; Mrs. Corney, Violet Campbell; Rose Maylie, Blanche Johnson; Mrs. Bedwin, Effie Carleton; Bill Sikes, Charles Barron. Next week, "The Electrician."

SAM. T. JACK'S THEATRE.—Deserving of a more fantastic name than "Chow Chow," the current burlesque offering here can be set down as one of the most entertaining, witty and wholly agreeable finishes to a burlesque and variety mingling seen in this borough for many moons. The dialogue is of the brightest sort, the comedians gifted with ability, to which they give complete vent, and the women are shapely and facially attractive to a degree far in excess of the burlesque average. A well known and pleasantly remembered burlesquer, whose name does not find place on the programme, takes precedence in the approval of the audience for her handsome appearance and splendid reading of the lines, which have been evidently interpolated to add lustre to the book, and other principals receive a full degree of approbation for the work in hand, which they so well execute. "The Harem of the Effendi" remains the curtain rising melange of song, shape and story which precedes an olio, that introduces Ralph Post and Essie Clinton, and Lew H. Carroll as candidates for hearty commendation. Both specialties average high. Mr. Carroll's wit coming into best play in a round of parodies which show the earmarks of exceeding cleverness. Wilkes and Scott offer duets. Rosalie presents a specialty of merit, and a band of Arabs indulge in difficult acrobatics, to the admiration of the assembled seekers after diversion. The burlesque, however, is the bright spot in the bill, and is worthy of profitable consideration. Manager Jack is winning good financial reward here continually.

TAMMANY HALL was the scene of a testimonial given for the purpose of reimbursing the purses of Tony Pastor's employees on Saturday evening, March 26. Harry Read was the chief of the clans, and carried everything through to a capital finish. The entertainment was furnished by Ed Lawrence and Nina Harrington, Geo. Fuller Golden, Maud Raymond, Cora Routt, the La Velles, Manning and Weston, Horace Goldin, Eddie Clark, Allen and Delmaine, James Murray and James Adams. Dancing was indulged in subsequently, and the affair was a huge success all 'round.

KNICKERBOCKER THEATRE.—Wm. H. Crane, in "A Virginia Courtship," began on March 28 the ninth week and the last fortnight of his engagement, throughout which his business has been uniformly good. On the above date souvenirs marked the fiftieth night. Next week the one act comedy, "His Last Appearance," will be added to the bill. "The Bride Elect" comes April 11.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—"The Tree of Knowledge" entered on March 28 upon the tenth and last week of its run, the regular season of the house closing April 2. During Holy Week, on every evening except Friday, Garrett P. Serviss will present his illustrated lectures. On Easter Monday, April 11, the Kelcey-Shannon Co. will present "The Moth and the Flame."

HOYT'S THEATRE.—"Oh! Susannah" is now in its eighth and last week, the season of the house closing April 2. "Dangerfield, '95" is retained as the curtain raiser, with Annie Russell as the conspicuous figure.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—John Drew, in "One Summer's Day," entered on March 28 upon the seventh and last week of a very successful engagement. His business here warranted a longer stay, but it was found to be impossible to cancel his road engagements. The house will be dark Holy Week, and on April 11 the Bostonians will present "The Serenade."

MANHATTAN THEATRE.—The banner of success continues to wave over the destinies of "Way Down East" at this house, and March 28 began the eighth week of its stay. Jones' Band gave another Sunday concert here 27.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC. — "The White Heather" started on March 28 upon the nineteenth week of its run. The one hundred and fiftieth performance will be given April 5, and souvenirs will commemorate the occasion. The play has many merits, and fully deserves the good fortune which has attended it.

KOSTER & BIAL'S.—A good sized audience was present March 28 at this house and gave evidences of approval of the entertainment provided. The Picchiani Sisters, acrobats, returned, and were prime favorites. The acrobatic work of this troupe is way above the average, and rounds of applause attests to their popularity. They are easy and graceful in their work, and this, in conjunction with their cleverness, make the troupe one of the best in its line. Arthur and Jennie Dunn appeared for the first time at this house and found favor in their comedy act. Fred J. Herbert's troupe of trained dogs scored a good success. Burke and Andrus, with their broncho mule, were excellent laugh makers and were soon popular. Irma Orlassany and her trained cockatoos continued a strong feature of the bill. Delmore and Lee, in their breakaway ladder act, held over and were still popular. The Avolos, on the triple horizontal bars, won rounds of applause for their work. Others who were still in favor were: Langslow, with his sharp shooting on the wire; Ritchie, tramp 'cyclist; Mlle. Barbe, chanteuse, and Charmion, aerialist. "Au Bain," a musical comedy, now meeting with success abroad, has been secured by the management of this house, and is announced for presentation here April 4. Adele Ritchie will appear in the leading role.

AMERICAN THEATRE.—Gilbert & Sullivan's popular comic opera, "The Mikado," was given a splendid production March 28, at this house, by the Castle Square Opera Co., which on that date began its fourteenth week here. The opera was beautifully costumed, handsomely staged and capably rendered, and the performance was fully appreciated by the large audience which filled the house to the doors. Raymond Hitchcock, as Ko-Ko, gave a most excellent portrayal of the role, filling all its singing and comedy requirements and winning well deserved recognition for his work. Bessie Fairbairn, as Katisha, gave a good performance. Oscar Girard made a capital Mikado of Japan, Joseph F. Sheehan sang the role of Nanki-Poo well, and Wm. G. Stewart did all that was required of him as Poo-Bah. Grace Golden made a very charming Yum-Yum and further proved her great versatility. Lillian Swain was seen in her old role of Pitti-Sing and was as winsome as of yore. The cast in full: Mikado of Japan, Oscar Girard; Nanki-Poo, Joseph F. Sheehan; Ko-Ko, Raymond Hitchcock; Pooh-Bah, Wm. G. Stewart; Pish-Tush, Dashiell Madiera; Nee-Ban, Charles Scribner; Yum-Yum, Grace Golden; Pitti-Sing, Lillian Swain; Peep-Bo, Emma King; Katisha, Bessie Fairbairn. "Billie Taylor" and "I Pagliacci" will be given as a double bill next week.

NUGENT'S SUNDAY CONCERT at the Star Theatre, March 27, proved a magnet of sufficient potency to attract another packed house in spite of the rainfall which prevailed. Extremely diverting was the bill, as will be shown by the entertainers, who included: Edmund Hayes and Emily Lytton, in their excessively funny burlesque on "Camille;" Arthur and Jennie Dunn, John Kernell, Lizzie B. Raymond, Hattie Delaro Barnes, Maud Raymond, Alice Montague and J. Royer West, Vera Sayne, the Unique Trio and the cinematographe.

GARDEN THEATRE.—Henry Miller, in "The Master," is now in the seventh week of his engagement, and is doing well. All who see this play are greatly pleased with it and all admit that Mr. Miller has never given more thorough proof of his ability than in the role of Thos. Faber. The fiftieth performance, with souvenirs, will be given April 4.

BROADWAY THEATRE.—"The Highwayman" entered on March 28 upon the sixteenth week of a very successful engagement. It is, however, nearing the close of its visit, as it will remain but three weeks more, counting from the above date.

LAURA BOOTH, a member of "The Foundling" Co., was found dead in bed at the New Amsterdam Hotel, in this city, March 28. She was lying on the bed, her hand resting near a small revolver. There was a tiny wound behind her right ear. The woman had been dead several hours when the body was found. An investigation into the cause of her death is under way, as it is not believed that death resulted from her own act. She was living at the hotel as the wife of James S. Lee, manager of the company. A violent quarrel is known to have occurred between them, and her husband has not been seen since the discovery of the dead body.

HILDA CLARK was announced to resume her place in "The Highwayman," at the Broadway, in place of Camille D'Arville. No reason is given for the change except that as Miss Clark is under contract for the season, and as the play is to run only two weeks more in this city, it was thought best to dispense with the services of Miss D'Arville. Miss Clark, in all probability, will go on the road with the company.

FRANKLIN SARGENT will direct an entertainment, April 2, for the benefit of the widow and daughter of Percy West, late business manager of the Carnegie Lyceum.

ANTON SEIDL, the famous conductor, died suddenly in this city March 28, from what is supposed to have been an irritant poison, resulting from eating heartily of shad roe. An investigation is now being conducted to determine the exact cause of his death.

Harlem.—At the Harlem Opera House "The Ballet Girl" is the attraction for the present week, and judging from the crowded house on the opening night, March 28, should do well all week. "A Normandy Wedding" did well last week. Next week, Charles Coghlan, in "The Royal Box."

COLUMBUS.—"Cumberland '61" did a first class business last week, turning people away on Saturday night. "Si Perkins," in "The Widow Jones," opened to a good sized audience 28, and the prospect looks bright for a big week, the company being an acceptable one in every respect. Next week: "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

METROPOLIS.—Louis James, supported by Alma Kruger and Barry Johnstone, opened 28, to a full house, and prospects look bright for a week of big audiences, as this is this company's first and only appearance in this section this season. The programme, which will be Shakespearean, will be changed nightly. Next week, Henry Dixey, magician.

OLYMPIC.—May Howard's company had a good week. Irwin Bros.' Burlesque Co. made its first Harlem appearance before a crowded house, and made a good impression. The show is full of ginger, and goes with a snap from start to finish. The prospects are bright for a week of good business. Next week, Roble's Knickerbockers.

HARLEM MUSIC HALL.—The managers have no cause for complaint, as it is impossible to obtain a seat here unless it is secured in advance. At times it is impossible to accommodate half the people that want admission. The attractions are of the best, and the public shows its full appreciation by attending in large numbers. The following are the people for the present week: James Thornton, Maud Raymond, the Dalterelles, Chas. B. Ward, John Le Clair, Willis and Collins, Lavender and Thompson, the Deaves, and the Ahearns.

HARLEM MUSEUM.—The warm weather of the past week has its effect on the business, but still Manager Hanson says that he has no cause for complaint. The people for this week are: Takezawa's Troupe of Japanese, Vernon and Kennedy, Cook and Boyd, Conroy and Loring, Carrie Monroe, Bella Bradford, Harry Davis, Dan Nash, Prof. Perrino and Chas. F. Adams.

Brooklyn.—The bills offered this week are as varied as they are interesting, and include several that will be seen for the first time at this end of the big bridge. As the season draws to a close the attractions are even more interesting than they were earlier in the season, and it is to be hoped that they will be kept to the standard until the end.

COLUMBIA.—Probably one of the best plays among the present offerings is "The Royal Box," presented here by Charles Coghlan and his company. It was seen March 28, for the first time in this borough, by a large and appreciative audience. The play is the elder Dumas' drama, "Kean," modernized by Mr. Coghlan, and deals with the stage, the hero being an actor named Clarence, a favorite of the Prince of Wales, afterwards George the Fourth. Mr. Coghlan has a wide scope in the role of Clarence, and he made a decided hit with his audience and was liberally applauded. The scenery, costumes and properties have all been prepared with considerable care, and are exceedingly attractive. Mr. Coghlan is supported by a capable company. Only one matinee (Saturday) will be given. Next week, "The Ballet Girl."

MONTAUK.—"The Telephone Girl" was sufficiently attractive to draw a large audience here 28, when it came to fill a brief engagement at this house. It is a musical comedy from the French, and the cast is headed by Louis Mann and Clara Lipman. Usual matinees, Wednesday and Saturday. Next week, the Lyceum Theatre Co., in "The Princess and the Butterfly."

BIJOU.—The Herrmanns, Leon and Adelaide, are the attraction here this week, and they are giving this year one of the most elaborate and interesting performances of mirth, magic and mystery ever before the public. A large audience witnessed the entertainment given 28, when was presented a varied exhibition of illusion, sleight of hand and spectacular dances. Leon Herrmann is especially clever at palming. Elaborate paraphernalia is employed in working out the mystifying illusions. Mme. Herrmann gives a number of interesting dances, but her fire dance, of which she makes a feature, is the most effectively picturesque. Matinees will be given on Tuesday and Saturday. Next week, "Northern Lights."

GRAND.—"Sunshine of Paradise Alley" will be seen all the week here. It drew a large audience 28, when it began its engagement. It has been seen in this city before and all its characteristics are well known. It deals with familiar types and has many natural effects, including the great dock scene, Paradise Alley and an Autumn scene in Bronx Park, which are interesting. The character sketches are true to life. A bargain matinee Wednesday is announced, when the price of admission will be twenty five cents to any part of the house. Next week, the Jaxon Opera Co.

PARK.—"The Span of Life," one of the sensational melodramas which has attracted considerable attention in the past, is presented here this week, opening 28 to a good sized audience. Among the many interesting features is the human bridge across a chasm, over which the heroine escapes from the villain. The piece is well mounted and has elaborate stage effects.

HYDE & BEHMAN'S.—Hopkins' Trans-Oceanic Star Specialty Co., holds the boards here this week, opening before two large audiences, with an afternoon and evening performance, 28. The bill include Leonidas' cat and dog circus; A. O. Duncun, ventriloquist; Juno Salmo, equilibrist; the Sidmans, in a bit of real life; Karno Trio, musical grotesques; Morton and Revelle, comedy act; Genaro and Bailey, songs and dances; Vinie De Witt, vocalist and cornet soloist; Henry Kessler, tenor singer, and the biograph, illustrating the battle ship Maine.

STAR.—John L. Sullivan, the ex-champion pugilist, is the magnet which drew two large audiences at the afternoon and evening performances given here 28. He appears in ring costume and gives an exhibition of bag punching, rope jumping and a three round sparring match. His company is of the variety and comedy order, and gives a farce called "On the Ocean," as well as an olio. In the latter appear Emma Carus, a female baritone; the Brownings, in a comedy sketch; Begley and Lee, the Pelching Brothers, in a musical sketch; Maud Detty and Edith Murray, in coon songs; Darmody, club juggler, and Ed. B. and Rolla White.

GAIETY.—Cissy Fitzgerald winked, danced and sang herself into immediate favor here 28. It is the first time "Cissy" has been in this part of town, and she will doubtless find her engagement a profitable one. As the central figure in the farce, "The Foundling," she made many friends. The supporting company could be stronger. Owing to the absence of Laura Booth, the character of Mrs. Cotton was ably read by Irene Everett at a very short notice. A pretty little comedietta, called "A Happy Pair," is given as a curtain raiser. The two characters are assumed by Irene Everett, specially engaged, and Charles E. Lothian. More of the comedietta and less of the farce would have been an acceptable change. Good business last week. Coming next week, "The Sunshine of Paradise Alley."

EMPIRE.—The "Broadway Girls Burlesquers" was the magnet that drew a crowded house night of 28. The indications are for a big week's business. A skit called "A Swell Affair" is the vehicle that introduced a lot of pretty girls. The costumes are gorgeous and the scenic effects elaborate. A comedy called "A Putup Job" closes the entertainment. In the course of the evening there is given a series of representations of famous paintings with a number of shapely young women in the frames. The olio: Mon and Goodrick, Creago and Bennett, American chansonettes; Rogers and Ryan, Dutch and Irish comedy; Alice Hanson, comedienne; Edwards and Kernell, in comedy; Lillian Walton, eccyclist, and Murphy and Murphy, a comedy sketch duo. Good business last week. Coming week of 4, "Vanity Fair."

BROOKLYN MUSIC HALL.—George Fuller Golden, billed as "Casey's Friend," heads this week's bill. Others on the bill are: Frazer Coulter, Grace Thorne, Coulter and Ernest Tarlton, in "A Pass for Two;" Gallando, the lightening clay modeler; John and Ella Garrison, travesty artists; Ladell and Alvers, singers, dancers and trick tumblers; the Lobey Brothers, comedy acrobats, and Frank and Will Gardiner, in "Two Gentlemen of Leisure." Business continues up to the usual standard.

UNIQUE.—There was a good sized audience present night of 28, when Barrett's Greater New York Burlesquers began a week's stay. A satire, called "A Theatrical Hotel," begins the show, and the burlesque, "The Merry, Wicked World," brings it to a close. Olio: Eva Swinburne, in songs of the day; West and Fowler, in a German comedy sketch; the O'Brien Sisters, in living pictures; Lamont and Love, conversationalists; Paterson and Brice, comedians; Helstrom Sisters, in songs and dances, and J. W. Hampton. Business last week was good. The following attraction is the Gay New Yorker Big Burlesque Co.

LYCEUM.—"The Engineer," as produced by the Louis Frey Stock Company, night of 28, made a decided hit. The audience was large and was most generous with its applause. The production shows the result of conscientious work on the part of the company, and they are to be congratulated on the result. Good business last week. The underline for next week is "The Hearts of New York."

NOTES.—The benefit tendered by all the Brooklyn theatrical managers to the Maine Monument Fund, held at the Montauk Theatre, Sunday evening, March 27, was a gigantic success in every sense of the word. The house was packed. Long before the hour set for ringing up the curtain Col. Wm E Sinn was obliged to order the doors closed, and hundreds of people were turned away who had been clamoring for admission, offering any price for even standing room. Such enthusiasm and patriotism as was displayed has seldom been witnessed on any occasion. It was almost one continuous applause, shouting, handclapping, waving of hats, handkerchiefs, flags, etc. It was a red letter night in the history of Brooklyn and Brooklyn theatricals. Evangelina Cisneros and some friends occupied one of the boxes, and she was given a royal welcome, as were the surviving sailors of the wrecked Maine, who occupied another box. At times it was difficult to hear what the performers were saying so, great was the enthusiasm, and there were many times during the entertainment when they were forced to stop in the midst of their sketch until their words could be heard above the din of applause. Shannon's Twenty-third Regiment Band opened the entertainment with a concert, rendering many popular airs. Gen. Catlin, a war veteran, made a very thrilling and dramatic speech, which was heartily received. The selections on the programme were well made, and warranted a good performance. The volunteers were: Charles A. Bigelow, of "The French Maid" Co.; Henriette Scholler and Karl Grienaur, in musical selections; Maxwell and Simpson, with illustrated songs; William Armstrong, of "The French Maid" Co.; Grace Golden and Raymond Hitchcock, of the Castle Square Co.; Willard Simms in monologue; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sidman, in "A Bit of Life;" Leon Herrmann, in sleight of hand tricks; the Lupens, W. H. Windom, Fialkowski, and the Cathedral Quartet. The Edison projectoscope pictures were as good as ever seen in this city.

NEW YORK STATE.

Albany.—Harmanus Theatre opened Tuesday evening, March 22, for one performance of Hoyt's "A Milk White Flag," and the good sized audience present was well pleased. Otis Skinner, in "Prince

28, playing for one night. Hoyt's "A Contented Woman" follows for the next two nights, to be followed by 'Cumberland '61" for the rest of the week. Frank Daniels, in "The Idol's Eye," had a large following, leaving 26. Announced for April 5, Joseph Jefferson; Mme. Scalchi 6.

COOK OPERA HOUSE.—"The City Club" began a three nights' stay March 28, to be followed by Washburn's Minstrels for the last half of the week. The Van Osten Three Star Comedy Co. drew good houses last week, leaving 26. Next week, the Waire Opera Co.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The house stock presented John A. Stevens' drama, "Unknown," 28, to run the entire week. Fair sized houses ruled last week.

WONDERLAND THEATRE.—The biograph will be the leading feature of this week's programme. The following names make up the rest of the programme: Smith and Fuller, Sam, Kittie and Louise Morton, Bessie Gilbert, James Richmond Glenroy, Hanley, Hodge and Hanley, and Mabel Craig.

BRUCKER'S MUSIC HALL announces the following people for this week: Walter Talbot, Barry and Hague, Anna Lonborg, Ch. Peters, Sascha and Herr August Rhoda and orchestra.

Elmira.—At the Lyceum Theatre "Ole Olson" was the attraction here March 22, playing to a small audience. Frank Daniels, in "The Idol's Eye," came 24, and was a society event, every seat being sold. Chauncy Olcott, in "Sweet Inniscarra," was the attraction offered 25, and gave excellent satisfaction to an audience which completely filled the theatre. This week, the Ulbe Ackerstrom Dramatic Co. Van Austin's Tri-Star Comedy Co. is booked for a return engagement next week.

RIALTO MUSIC HALL.—Manager MacConnell introduces the following new faces week of 28: Willis Hubbard, J. J. Walch, Eddie Carroll and Elmer Finch. Business last week was fair.

Troy.—At the Griswold Opera House the Ethel Tucker Co. did good business all last week. The Lillian Russell, Della Fox and Jeff De Angelis Co., in "The Wedding Day," comes March 28. Bennett & Moulton Co., in repertory, 29-April 2.

RAND'S OPERA HOUSE.—"A Milk White Flag" had a big house March 21. "The Girl From Paris" comes 31, "A Trip to Chinatown" April 2, 3.

GAIETY THEATRE.—The Galoola Co. did good business last week. Rice & Barton's Rose Hill English Folly Co. comes 28, for the week.

Syracuse.—At the Wieting Opera House "A Southern Romance" came, to fair attendance, March 22, 23. "A Milk White Flag" had good business 24. E. R. Spencer enjoyed fair business 25, 26. "The Idol's Eye" comes 29, 30, "A Contented Woman" April 1, 2.

BASTABLE THEATRE.—"Jim the Penman" was presented by the stock to S. R. O. "Held by the Enemy" is the bill for the current week.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—Ward and Vokes, in "The Governors," came to S. R. O. March 21-23. Gay Girls from Gotham canceled. Reilly & Woods' Co. comes 28-30, Miaco's City Club 31-April 2.

Binghamton.—At Stone Opera House Maude Hillman, in repertory, under the auspices of the local firemen, had big business March 21-26. Washburn's Minstrels came 28, 29, Lillian Russell, Della Fox and Jefferson De Angelis, in "The Wedding Day," come 31, "The Old Coat" April 1, Kellar 2.

BIJOU THEATRE.—"London Gaiety Girls" pleased fairly good sized audiences March 21-25. The Keegans were one of the features. Robie's Knickerbockers come 28-30, Flynn and Sheridan's "Big Sensation" 31-April 2.

Newburg.—At the Academy of Music "A Southern Romance" had rather light business March 21, owing to inclement weather, but it well repaid those who braved the elements. The house was dark the remainder of the week. On 30 "The Prisoner of Zenda" will be given. The veriscope pictures of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons contest follow April 1-2. The Spooner Comedy Co. week of 4.....Columbus Hall is dark this week. The Nelse Marsh Comedy and Specialty Co. is underlined for 19, 20.

Geneva.—At the Smith Opera House Elihu Spencer presented "Othello" to such light audiences, March 23, that "Romeo and Juliet," 24, was canceled. Otis Skinner came 21, in "Prince Rudolph," for the ushers' benefit, to a most appreciative audience. Booked: Frank Daniels, in "The Idol's Eye," 28; Park Sisters 30, Hoyt's "A Contented Woman" 31, "The Dazzler" April 6.

Utica.—At the Utica Opera House Otis Skinner gave a very finished production of "Prince Rudolph" March 22. Ward and Vokes drew three large audiences 25, 26. Dated: "Cumberland '61" 29, Russell, Fox and De Angelis, in "The Wedding Day" 30; "Lost, Twenty-four Hours," April 1.

Middletown.—At the Casino "A Gay New Yorker," March 25, did fair business; "A Guilty Mother" pleased a large house 19. Gonzales Opera Co. is due 28-30, Guy Bros.' Minstrels 31, "My Friend From India" April 1.

CANADA.

Montreal.—At the Academy Al. G. Field's Minstrels drew the old time minstrel audiences March 24-26, showing that a good show will find favor here. Henry E. Dixey comes week of 28.

QUEEN'S.—The excellent business which has attended the Beryl Hope Stock Co. since its opening was continued 21-26, when "A Jolly Night," preceded by Beryl Hope and Howell Hansell, in the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet," was presented. Extensive preparations have been going on for the production of "The Fatal Card," week of 28.

FRANCAIS.—"7-2-8," with the Leonards, Annie Whitney, Delaphone, and the Pantzler Trio as the vaudeville bill, found appreciative audiences 21-25. "Rosedale" week of 28.

ROYAL.—Much better burlesques have been seen here than those given by the "Robin Hood Jr." aggregation last week. Provo and Clements, and Marshall were the stars of the olio. The French Folly Co. week of 28.

SOHMER PARK.—A burlesque co. gave satisfactory performances 27, to good houses.

NOTES.—Howell Hansel, new leading man of the Queen's Stock Co., made his first appearance 21.....The local branch of the Theatrical Mechanics' Association will shortly hold their annual entertainment in the Academy.....Henry E. Dixey's lion has been on exhibition here, and created great interest.

Toronto.—At the Grand Opera House, March 21-26, "Under the Red Robe" played to a big business. "The Old Coat" comes 28-30.

TORONTO OPERA HOUSE.—"Uncle Tom's Cabin" did a big business 21-26. Week of 28, All Star Vaudeville Co.

THE PRINCESS.—The Cummings Stock Co., in "Esmeralda," as usual, had a large week 21-26. "Ambition" is the bill for week of 28.

THE BIJOU put on a good bill and did a big business 21-26, Pearl Andrews being the drawing card.

ARMORIES.—Plancon, assisted by Madame D'Alvigny, Miss Beverley Robinson, M. Ernest du Dumaine, Mr. Hubert de Blanck and Frances World played to an immense audience 21.

ROBERT CUMMINGS has just returned from New York, where he has completed his final arrangements for his Summer opera season, which will open up Monday, April 18, and run for six weeks. The company will include Hubert Wilkie, Laura Moore, Fred Solomon, Harold Blake, Ben Lodge, Alex. Spenser, Jos. Smiley, Sylvester Cornish and Alice Johnson. The opening bill will be "The Mandarin."

Winnipeg.—At the Winnipeg Theatre Tim Murphy and company appeared in "Old Innocence" 18, 19, and played to fairly good business. "A Texas Steer," with Katie Putnam and Maurice Freeman in the leading roles, held the boards until 21, 22, and played to light business. Nellie McHenry and company opened 23, in "A Night in New York," and also played to poor business. "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" is due 28, 29.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—The Orris Ober Co. still holds the boards, and has been playing to good business; but this will be the last week of the company here. "She" is due week of 28.

Hamilton.—At the Grand the William Owen Co., in repertory, at popular prices, week of March 21, had fair business. Booked: "Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush" 30, Albert Lakewood, pianist, 31; "Darkest Russia" April 1, 2.

STAR THEATRE.—Last week large audiences attended. The bill for week of 28 is: Meeker and Mack Trio, Fannie Granger, Lerner and Woods, Louise Dempsy, Lou Wells, Rice and Elmer, and Alma Howard.

Guelph.—At the Royal Opera House "Darkest Russia" is due March 31. Hoyt L. Conary April 4, in lecture "Around the Stove" (one of the Star course of entertainments), Hanlon's "Superba" 7.

HAYMARKET THEATRE.—Erin and the Brennans, billed for March 22, 23, had but one night owing to the explosion of their lighting apparatus during the evening.

Belleville.—At the Carman Opera House the Bon Ton Burlesque Co. came to a fair house March 24. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Co., matinee and evening, 26. Donald Robertson and Brandon Douglas present "The White Mouse" matinee and "The Man in the Iron Mask," evening, April 2.....The paper of the Bon Ton Burlesquers, which company played in Peterborough, near here, last week, shocked the people of that town and was covered up. The posters that concealed them read: "Covered up by order of the police." It is needless to say that the house was crowded in the evening.....John L. Ulpham, manager of the Brockville Opera House, has been fined $1 and $4.25 costs for posting "The White Crook" (Bon Ton Burlesque Co.) paper on the town bill boards. He will appeal.....Florence Ockerman, the well known Topsy of Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Co., is a native of this city.

Berlin.—At the Opera House Robertson and Douglass, in "The Man in the Iron Mask," had a fair business March 22; "Darkest Russia" is due 30.

OREGON.

Portland.—The Marquam Grand was dark week of March 14. Marie Wainwright opens 21, in "Shall We Forgive Her?" James J. Corbett will be seen 24-26, in "A Naval Cadet." Primrose & West's Minstrels comes 28. Frederick Warde 30, Dan'l Sully April 1.

CORDRAY'S THEATRE.—Mahara's Minstrels did a good business week of 13. "The Prisoner of Algiers" opened 20, to a packed house. "Town Topics" comes week of 27.

IMPERIAL MUSIC HALL.—Frankie Hartwell, Lessie Eldridge, Lillian Starr, Viola Morgan, Brocee Sisters—Myrtle and Florence—Viola Morgan, Al Franks, Frank Morgan, and Effie Hartwell.

FREDRICKSBURG MUSIC HALL.—Mae Tunison, Robzart, Le Petite Rose, and Brown's Orchestra.

OHIO.

Cincinnati.—Rain fell here the greater part of last week, and a slight decrease was noticeable in box office receipts. Good shows are promised the theatregoers for this week.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—The Bagetto Italian Grand Opera Co. will open in "La Boheme" March 28. Later in the week they will present "Cavalleria Rusticana," "I Pagliacci," "Manon Lescaut," "Lucia di Lammermoor," "Ballo in Maschero" and "La Torze Del Destina." Last week Thomas W. Keene, in a round of tragedy, was well attended at all performances.

WALNUT STREET THEATRE.—The stock company will appear in "The Ensign" 27. "Young Mrs. Winthrop" attracted crowded houses last week. "A Night Off" April 3.

PIKE OPERA HOUSE.—"The Banker's Daughter" will be put on by the Neill Stock Company March 27. "Baby" Lewis has been retained and will be seen as Natalie. Last week "Little Lord Fauntleroy," with "Baby" Lewis in the title role, was largely attended. "Held by the Enemy" next week.

HEUCK'S OPERA HOUSE.—"When London Sleeps" will be the attraction 27. "Peck's Bad Boy" drew fair patronage last week. "The World Against Her" next week.

FOUNTAIN SQUARE THEATRE.—Mark Swan's Southern comedy drama, entitled "The Princess of Patches," will be seen 27. Jessie Mae will appear in the star role. Fair sized audiences greeted "Coon Hollow" last week.

PEOPLE'S THEATRE.—Mlle. Ani's Monarchs, which were seen here the early part of this season, will play a return engagement 27. Irwin Brothers' Venetian Burlesquers played to large crowds last week. Fay Foster Burlesque Co. next week.

STAR THEATRE.—The Brady Stock Co. will present "Rauch 10" 27. "East Lynne" did a fair business last week. Next week, "Moths."

AVERY'S MUSEUM.—The attractions for week March 28 are as follow: The D'Aljoris, Cuban Refugees, with implements of torture used by Spaniards on their prisoners. A good variety bill will be presented in the auditorium.

MUSIC HALL.—The Damrosch-Ellis Opera Co. will appear at Music Hall 28-31. They will present "Tannhauser," "Faust," "The Meistersinger" and "The Barber of Seville."

NEWS NOTES.—Lorin Howard, of Chicago, will make his first appearance with the Neill Stock Co. in "The Banker's Daughter." He was formerly connected with the Hopkins Theatre stock, of Chicago.....Manager James Neill, of the Neill Stock Co., now playing at the Pike Opera House, after the season closes here will open at the Metropolitan Opera House, Minneapolis, for a two weeks' stand. Mr. Neill will also form a new stock company, which will open at Chicago May 1.....Will Heck has been engaged as advertising agent for Coney Island this Summer.....Joseph Horgan, of this city, joined the "Cuba's Vow" Company.....Frank Lane and John Consadine, owners of "A Trip to Chinatown," missed railroad connections, and were compelled to stay in this city for a day.....Manager Hallet arrived here in advance of the Bagetto Italian Opera Co.....Lucia Moore, of the Thomas W. Keene Company, recited before high school pupils.....It is reported that Treasurer Kurze will succeed John Noonan as manager of the Ludlow Lagoon this Summer.....A students' recital was given at the Conservatory of Music March 26.....Rosa Cecilia Shay was the soloist at the last symphony concert at Music Hall, 25, 26.....Gustin Wright gave an organ recital at the Scottish Rite Hall last week.....The students of the College of Music gave their seventeenth recital at the Lyceum 25.....Willis Granger, leading man of the Brady Stock Co., did not appear in "East Lynne," at the Star, last week. He was confined to his home with a slight touch of blood poisoning. Joseph O'Meara, of this city, and a member of the Walnut Street Theatre Stock Co., took Granger's place.....J. F. Helf, with Helf and Yost, at People's with Irwin Brothers' Venetian Burlesquers, was married to Rosa Davis, of this city, March 25.....Manager M. C. Anderson, of the Walnut Street Theatre, left for Chicago, Ill., last week.....The testimonial benefit tendered to the octogenarian manager and ticket seller, H. T. Loyd Sr., at the Odeon, was well attended.

Cleveland.—Unusual dullness seems still to pervade theatrical circles here. Whether the war scare causes people to curtail expenditures, or whether the stagnation is a natural sequence at this stage of the theatrical year, it is hard to determine; nevertheless, it is quite certain that there was no rush for seats during the week just past.

EUCLID AVENUE OPERA HOUSE.—Stuart Robson presented "The Jucklins" and "The Henrietta" week of March 21, and did the best business of the week; even at that it was nothing remarkable. "The Jucklins" had its first presentation here, and cannot be said to have made a deep impression, it being generally considered too gloomy in its make up. Mr. Robson was seen to much better advantage in "The Henrietta." The Liliputians present "The Fair at Midgettsville" 28 and week. The last half of the week the entire performance will be given in English, a new departure here for the little Germans. Bag gett's Italian Opera Co. next week.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—Hoyt's "A Black Sheep" did fairly week of 21. Edw. Garvie essayed the stellar role and succeeded admirably. Geraldine Fair and Frank Latona were also seen to advantage. Eugenie Blair comes 28 and week, presenting an elaborate revival of "East Lynne." This will be Miss Blair's first appearance here as a star. "The Pacific Mail" next week.

STAR THEATRE.—Miaco's City Club played a return engagement 21 and week. Business was fair. The company was fully up to its usual good standard. Two new burlesque sketches, "Madame May's First Night" and "Mr. Perry at Niagara," were presented, and took well. The olio is diverse and pleasing. Hyde's Comedians will be seen 28 and week. Weber's Parisian Widows Co. next week.

CLEVELAND THEATRE.—"Under the Dome," was the attraction week of 21, to fair attendance. "The World Against Her" 28 and week.

CUES.—David Bispham will sing in "In a Persian Garden" at Association Hall 28. The advance sale has been remarkably good.....Willis Johnson has returned home from a short stay in Chicago.....Manager Wm. Campbell, of the Star, left last week for New York, to be in readiness for the opening of Buffalo Bill's Show at the Madison Square Garden.....Willie Drew, assistant treasurer of the same house, goes with the Cody Show, as will also H. M. Scott, press agent of the Star.

Toledo.—At the Valentine Theatre "My Friend from Ind'a," March 21-23, played to light business. Richard Mansfield, in "The Devil's Disciple," had a very fine house 24. "A Milk White Flag" did a nice business 25, 26. The Scalchi Concert Co. comes 28, "The Sign of the Cross" 31-April 2.

PEOPLE'S THEATRE.—Last week this theatre played to packed houses at every performance. The attraction was the Hanlons' "Superba." The Rossow Midgets Specialty Co. open March 27, for four nights; Hi Henry's Minstrels 31, for three nights.

WONDERLAND.—The bill in the theatre was very good last week, and the house did a fair business. Among others were noticed Pearl McIntyre in dances, and Gruet, Beers and Gruet in a funny acrobatic dancing act. Week of 28: The Fields Collection stays for another week, and J. Carr's performing bear will be seen in the curio hall. In the theatre: Charles F. Jerome and Clara Bell, in a skit; Chas. Kenna, Gilmore and Magee, and Derenda and Breen will be the attractions.

NEW ERIE THEATRE.—Last week Little Egypt was the strong card and drew good houses. Week of 28 the new faces will be: Clifford and Hall, Maud Gordon, Gorman and West, Jas. Rose and the company, in "Ambition."

MATHEWS AND BULGER joined "A Milk White Flag" Co. here March 26, for a five weeks' season in Chicago.

Dayton.—At the Grand Opera House the next attraction underlined is Hanlons' "Superba," which comes March 30, 31.

PARK THEATRE.—Hopkins' Star Specialty Co. gave a splendid vaudeville performance, to good business, 21, 23. W. H. Fowers, in "Shannon of the Sixth," billed for 24-26, did not arrive. Bartley Campbell's "The White Slave" comes 28-31, "Cuba's Vow" 31-April 2.

SOLDIERS' HOME THEATRE.—Mme. Ani's Monarchs did big business March 23. The Old Folks' Concert was well patronized 25. "The Real Widow Brown" is due April 7.

ASSOCIATION HALL.—Chas M. Flowers, impersonator, in "A Christmas Carol," was greeted by a large gathering 21.

NOTES.—Mrs. Kneass, a well known New York actress, died here evening of March 25 at the Deaconess Hospital. Her daughter, Mrs. Renfrow, of Renfrow's Pathfinders Co., is here, attending to details of the funeral. The employes of the Grand Opera House and Park Theatre will act as pall bearers. Mr. Morrison telegraphed to complete all arrangements for the funeral at his expense.....The "Shannon of the Sixth" Co. did not arrive, owing to the many washouts caused by the recent flood in and around the city. Harry Hill's Ani's Monarchs filled in the date, to good business.

Columbus.—At the Great Southern Theatre "The Sign of the Cross" opens March 28, for three nights and a matinee. Richard Mansfield, in "The Devil's Diciple," had a large house 23. Owing to the washouts Walter Whiteside was unable to open 24, the first performance being given on 25. Business was rather light for three performances.

HIGH STREET THEATRE.—Opening 28, for first three days, with customary matinees, comes "Coon Hollow." Mountford and Grandin, in "The Secret Enemy," did well 21-23. "The White Slave" had fair business 24-26. Thompson's Vaudeville and Veriscope Co. comes 31-April 2.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—The stock will produce "A Scrap of Paper" the entire week, commencing March 28. "Little Lord Fauntleroy" did well week, ending 26.

Zanesville.—At Shultz Opera House Kellar, the magician, came March 21, to a crowded house. Robert Downing and company was booked for 24, but failed to reach the city on account of the flood. Booked: "The Messiah" will be given by local talent for the benefit of the Zanesville City Hospital 29. Donnelly and Girard will be here April 1, after which the house will be closed for the season of 1897-98.

MEMORIAL HALL.—The Frederick H. Wilson Comedy and High Class Specialty Co., under the management of Harry F. Curtis, is booked for the week of March 28. Owing to the destitution of many of our citizens, whose homes has been flooded by the high water, the company will donate the net receipts of the entertainment for their benefit.

Akron.—Edgar Selden's "A Hot Old Time" company came to a fair sized and much pleased audience March 24,.....Next "London Sleeps" did well 25. The Francis Wilson Opera Co., in "Half a King," packed the house at advanced prices 24. Booked: Theodore Thomas' Orchestra 29, Mme. Sofia Scalchi, in grand opera, 30; Robt. G. Ingersoll April 1, Al. G. Field's Colored Minstrels afternoon and evening 2, "A Baggage Check" 5.

THE ASSEMBLY THEATRE was dark last week and will be dark week of 28.

Steubenville.—At the City Opera House "Grimes' Cellar Door" had a fair business March 29. Kellar pleased a big house 22. Coming: "The Wizard of the Nile" 31, Robert Downing April 5.

LONDON THEATRE.—The members of the Tally Ho Club week of 28 are: Little Egypt, Edward and Neilson, Harry Green, Lewis, Ada and Johns, Morris and Tempie and the stock.

Canton.—At the Grand Opera House business last week was rushing. "When London Sleeps" played to a good house March 21. Francis Wilson did not have even standing room. The opera was the best of the season. Col. Billy Thompson played to only a fair house 25. Stewart Robson is due 28, Davidson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" 30, Scalchi Grand Opera 31, Robert Downing April 1. Al. G. Field's Colored Minstrels 4.

Mansfield.—At the Memorial Opera House Francis Wilson, in "Half a King," gave good satisfaction, to standing room only, March 25. Davis' "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was to be here 25, but was delayed by the Ohio floods for twenty four hours, and arrived a day late. Field's Minstrels come 30, Katie Emmett 31, "Superba" April 2.

Sandusky.—At Nielsen Opera House Stuart Robson, in "The Henrietta," pleased a large audience March 19. Scalchi Concert Co. comes 29, Cleveland German Theatre Co. 30, "The Dazzler" April 2, Field & Hanson's Minstrels, booked for 4, canceled; Davis' "Uncle Tom's Cabin" 9, "Daisy, the Missouri Girl, 12; Cherry Sisters 16.

KENTUCKY.

Louisville.—At Macauley's Theatre Hoyt's "A Trip to Chinatown" was presented March 24-26, and proved a pleasant surprise. Each role was portrayed in a decidedly clever manner and the entire performance moved with a commendable snap. Trixie Friganzi made a thoroughly up to date widow and received hearty applause. Chauncey Olcott is due 31-April 2.

AVENUE THEATRE.—An unusually strong attraction was given at this house last week. Not in many years has a play created such wild enthusiasm as "Cuba's Vow." Crowds continued to pour in to witness the presentation at every performance. It is a well written and skilfully constructed drama, with numerous strong scenes and picturesque scenery. For week of 27, Griffith's "Faust."

TEMPLE THEATRE.—"Fernclife" attracted crowded houses twice a day last week. It is a beautifully written play, and its good points were brought out prominently by the Meffert Stock Co. For week of 28, "Shall We Forgive Her?"

NEW BUCKINGHAM.—Sam T. Jack's Tenderloin Co. drew the usual crowded houses last week. The olio enlists the services of Jennie Yeamans, Willis Clark and James Thompson, Reese and Swann, Fonti Boni Bros. and Mlle. Karina. For week of 27, Irwin Bros.

PALACE THEATRE.—Carrie Scott, O'Niel and Long, Wm. Campbell, Ed. Scofield, Zoda Meyers, Birdie Clayton, Col. Boone's performing lions and stock. Business is good.

OLYMPIA THEATRE.—George Derious, May Brown, Wm. Ross, Murray and Lester, Alma Clifton, Harry Krell, Marie Heclow, Geo. H. Wiegel and stock. Business is fair.

BIEROD'S CONCERT HALL.—Mons. Dubee's Dog Circus, Master Fred Roslin, Phillips and Nannon, Gertie Hasson, Geo. F. Ames, Harry E. Franke's production of living pictures. Business is fair.

NOTES.—The cyclorama showing the "Battle of Gettysburg" has been very successful since the opening, 18.....Charles Randolph Arthur, who was to open the Bijou Theatre, and who ran away with Jessie Bevis, of this city, was indicted by the grand jury 24 on the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses. The charge is made by Mrs. Delia Hoover.....Phillips and Naynon, playing at Bierod's Concert Hall, gave one of the most clever performances ever given at this house. The act consists of difficult feats with trained cockatoos, macaws and imported fan tail pigeons, using single and double displays. Miss Naynon introduces her artistic revolving globe, finishing the act with pigeons alighting on her arms.

Paducah.—At Morton's Opera House J. E. Toole, in "Killarney and the Rhine," March 22-26, had only fair business. "Brother for Brother" comes 31.

RHODE ISLAND.

Providence.—At the Providence Opera House, March 21-23, E. H. Sothern, in "The Adventures of Lady Ursula" and "Lord Chumley," did a very fine business, and, as always, gave the very best of satisfaction. The rest of the week Primrose & West gave the best minstrel show that has been seen in this city for several seasons. The hit of the show was Ezra Kendall, who kept the audience in a roar at every performance with his funny sayings and jokes. This week Charles Frohman's Company will present "Under the Red Robe." This is its first presentation in this city, and there is little doubt that the business will be good. Sol Smith Russell is booked for April 4-6.

KEITH'S OPERA HOUSE.—Chas. H. Yale's "Twelve Temptations" made its first appearance here in three seasons, and did a fair business last week. This week, a return of the foremost favorite, "In Old Kentucky." This is a sure winner, even in Lent, and the week will no doubt be a big one. On the following week the Cuban war play, "The Last Stroke," will be the offering.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—Weber & Fields' Vaudeville Club played a return engagement March 21-26, and gave the same show, with one or two exceptions, as when here early in the season. The business was very good, indeed, and all concerned were satisfied. This week finds another of Weber & Fields' attractions here, viz.: the Russell Bros.' Co. The company includes a lot of favorites, among them Lizzie B. Raymond, who always proves a good card. On the week to follow, Reilly & Wood's Big Show. This show opened the season at this house, and made a record for big business. The management have selected a very strong show for Holy Week, and it should be a winner.

WESTMINSTER THEATRE.—The Broadway Burlesquers played a return date and gave a good show to very good business last week. The act of McAvoy and May was the star turn and received loud applause at every show. For the present week the Merry Maidens Burlesque Co., a new one here, make big promises in the way of a big show. Next to follow comes "Robin Hood Jr."

NOTES.—Chas. Lonenberg, having accepted the management of Keith's Opera House, has been obliged to decline all offers for a Summer engagement of the Lonenberg Concert Band. This band last Summer played a long engagement at Washington Park, on the Delaware. The band had many offers for the coming Summer, but Mr. Lonenberg will be located during the Summer at Mr Keith's Boston house.....Chas. Frohman's company, which is presenting "Under the Red Robe" at the Providence Opera House this week, has been out for thirty-one weeks, starting at the coast and working East. The company has gone through the season without a change in the organization.....Manager Batcheller, of the Westminster, has changed the policy of his house for next season and will play combinations such as have played Keith's in past seasons.

Pawtucket.—At Pawtucket Opera House, March 21-23, "Thoroughbred," and 24-26 "East Lynne" drew well. John A. Stevens, in "The Passion Slave," is due 28-30, "Hazel Kirke" 31-April 2.

MONTANA.

Butte.—Frederick Warde, March 17-19, at Maguire's Opera House, appeared to excellent business. "A Stranger in New York" played to the capacity of the house 20-23. Coming: Marie Jansen, in "The Nancy Hanks" and "Delmonico's at Six," 24-27; "What Happened to Jones" 28-30, "A Texas Steer" 31-April 2.

UNION THEATRE.—"The Vendetta" was presented week of March 21 by the Frank Readick Stock, to fine audiences. Mr. Readick has surrounded himself with a very capable company, in some respects the best ever seen in this house. Week of 28 the company goes to Anaconda to make room for the Richards & Pringle Minstrels. "McGinty's Sports" week of April 4.

IMPERIAL.—High class attractions are still the rule at this house, and Manager Ritchey certainly deserves the liberal patronage he is receiving. Among his people are: Cad Wilson, Reed Sisters, Prince Youida's Oriental Japanese Troupe, Busch, Armstrong and O'Neill, Allan and Taylor, the Brothers Mohring, Babette Lyne, Ella Leon, Emma Bell, Scott Lawrence, May Walton, May Walter Brooks and Memphis Kennedy.

CASINO.—An excellent show is being given at this resort, to crowded houses. Prince Muro and Mlle. Dashell, Clifford and Reed, Martin and Durand, Frank Finney, Chandler and McPherson, Reany Sisters, La More Sisters, Lottie Quigley, Ed. and Julietta Niner, and Maude Le Blanche.

MONOGRAM.—Hallett and Carroll, Monroe, Adams and Thurber, Ruth La Verne, Stella Rae, Myrtle Lynne, Chas. Burton and Wm. Sayden.

GOSSIP.—Manager D. P. Sutton, of the Union Theatre, this city, has added another house to his string, having secured control of Bennett's Opera House, Missoula. Extensive improvements have been made, and the house hereafter will be known as Sutton's Union Family Theatre, opening April 4 with Sutton's road company.....J. B. Allen, of the Richard & Pringle Minstrels, is in town this week, and reports business as good.....Frank Finney and Lilla Raymond were married St. Patrick's Day.

GEORGIA.

Atlanta.—At the Grand "The Girl from Paris" played a return engagement March 23, 24 to fair business. The play was well received. The work of Carrie Behr and Harry Hermsen deserve special mention. Margaret Mather, in "Cymbeline," closed the week 25, 26, to fair business, at advanced prices. The house is dark 28 and week.

THE LYCEUM.—This house had satisfactory business 21 and week, with Punch Robertson and company as the attraction. The house is dark 28 and week.

THE IMPERIAL.—Sam T. Jack's Tenderloin Co. will hold the boards 28 and week, at popular prices.

W. H. HARRIS' NICKEL PLATE SHOWS are due 31-April 2.

Augusta.—The Peruchi-Bellini Combination filled in the time during last week, at popular prices, to fair average attendance. Margaret Mather's Co. presented "Cymbeline" night of March 23, but failed to draw so large a house as was expected. "Wang" comes 29.

HARRIS' NICKLE PLATE CIRCUS will open 28, for three days.

Under the Tents.

BONHEUR BROS.' SHOW NOTES.—A new use for poster paste was discovered by A. G. Bonheur, while piloting Bonheur Bros.' Winter Opera House Show through the Southwest. Last month, on the trip across the plains of Eastern Colorado, in his substantial little bill wagon, which, by the way is provided with a small stove and granite iron tank for making bill paste, he passed many prairie dog villages. Mr. Bonheur was much interested in the little animals who came out to bark at his Scotch poodle, "Jimmie," and thought of capturing a pair. As the bill wagon was passing the environment of a dog town one day, he saw a pair excavating a fresh burrow to go to housekeeping on their own account. Here was the chance for which the advance man was looking, but there was no water to be had to flood the dogs out of the hole. Very little would be required, as the dogs had not yet dug deep enough to connect their new home with neighboring burrows, in the usual underground runs. Then it occurred to him that paste would do the work, and of this there was a good supply in the tank. In a moment the entire batch was poured into the hole. The party waited a full minute, during which Walt. Hannah brought his pocket camera into position for recording a denouement that luckily di l not happen. He expected to show a picture of A. G., with two infuriated prairie dogs hanging to his hands by their teeth, and the aforesaid A. G. dancing a war dance over the buffalo grass. There was a faint gurgle below, announcing that the paste had reached the inmates, who soon made their appearance besmeared with a thick mass of paste, and groping blindly for a place of refuge. Mr. Bonheur seized them by the back of the neck, and safely deposited them in a box. Mr. Hannah has the picture, but it is a disappointment. The female dog has since given birth to a litter of five pups. Mr. Bonheur now claims his formula for making paste has the proper drawing qualities, for even in the dog towns it will bring the natives out. A blizzard struck the show at Lenora, March 21, just as we got to the place for unloading at the Opera House. The dust came in dense banks, and filled ears and eyes before the wagons could be made safe from a blow over. Next morning it was as cold as Greenland. We found two trained goats awaiting the show at Edmunds, only the first instalment of trained stock that comes for the tent show opening in Oklahoma. Floods of letters forwarded from Winter quarters, reach us at every point, resulting from our last "ad." in THE CLIPPER. It is a repetition of the big mail of 1895, when we had to issue circular letters to answer all. Long may THE CLIPPER sail the ocean of professional favor, and the editors live happy in its sunshine.

W. C. CLARK'S UNITED SHOWS NOTES.—The eighteenth season of this show opened at Selmer, Tenn., March 26. The following is the complete roster: W. C. Clark, sole proprietor and manager; Theo. Barretta, equestrian director; John Sexton, contortionist; Bobby White, equilibrist; Roy Fortune, one legged slack wire walker and revolving Spanish rings; Ed. Conklin, juggler and balancer; Sexton and White, double contortion and hand to hand balancers; Eva Clark, flying rings and trapezist; Conklin and White, carrying perch act; Earl Taylor, outside ascension and contortionist; White and Howard, double trapeze; Louie Clark, trained dogs, goats and monkeys; Theo. Barreta, principal clown and mule hurdle rider; Hank Davis, clown and Japanese perch; Ed. Haskins, principal horizontal bars, and tumbling. Band: J. S. Kritchfield, leader; E. A. Swartz, R. J. Miller, J. T. Kyle, C. C. Pinnick, Guy Godfry, Fred Van Gundy, Will Hays, Ed. Buckner and J. E. Pace. Leader of orchestra, R. J. Miller. Annex: C. A. Braden, manager; Chas. Wren, principal orator; Lee Howard and P. J. Stanley, helpers; Ed. Conklin, magic and fire king; Kaboki, Zulu glass dancer; Bessie Braden, electric woman; Mlle. Zelika, snake enchantress; Braden's Bohemian glass blowers. Birds, monkeys, armadillos, ant eaters, etc., all new double deck paintings. Concert: Jo McGlew, George Burton, Louie Clark, May Howard, Maud Miller, Otto Meiser, boss canvas man, with twelve assistants; Joe Fisher, lights, with two assistants; Page Ligon, boss property man, with two assistants; J. C. Webb, in charge of stock, with fifteen assistants; Chas. Black, head cook, with four assistants; Curly Brown, head waiter, with three helpers. All the canvas is new. We have ninety foot tent with two fifties. The sideshow is sixty by ninety. We have added three new cages, also one new tableau and a new band wagon. All the other property has been overhauled and put in fine condition. Everything points to a prosperous season. We will make a few stands in Western Tennessee and Kentucky, and then over in Missouri. The stock (eighty-seven head) is in fine shape. The advance consists of one four horse wagon and two two horse wagons, with D. E. Ward in charge, with eight billposters.

PROF. T. E. BURTINE, with his mammoth dog, pony and monkey exhibit, has signed with Welsh Bros.' Newest Great R. R. Shows for the coming tenting season.

PECO, singing and talking clown, has signed with J. Augustus Jones' High Class Vaudeville Circus for the coming season.

THE ELLET TRIO closed with Byron Spaun's Big Show March 26, to join J. H. La Pearl's Circus, to do their rid ing and triple bar act, making their second season with that show.

THE THREE ROZELLO BROS. have signed with Lemen Bros.' Circus for the coming season.

FLOYD TROYER, triple bar performer, has doubled up with the Richards, Joe and Hattie, after a separation of six years, and are at present with the E. T. Bayse Show in Alabama. They will join the Cooper & Cos. Circus April 10, at Memphis, Tenn., making Mr. Troyer's second season with the Cooper Show.

AL. L. DOLSON will publish the official programme of the Walter L. Main Show the coming season.

MONS. NATALIE, whose trained pigs were for many years a feature with Ringling Bros.' Show, and who is now exhibiting them with great success with the Barnum Bailey Show in England, sends us a copy of *The Golden Penny*, containing an illustrated interview with him.

PROF. LEON RYEL has signed with the Golmar Bros.' Circus for the season as leader of the band.

THE VALENTINES open their Tent and Wagon Show May 4, at Danielson, Ct. Roster: George Gardner, Frank St. George, Wern Cassett, Frank Watson, Mike Leonard, Wm. Hart, the Norman Bros., Johnston and Powers, and Prof. Young and troupe of trained dogs and cats.

ALFRED ZIEM, cornettist, was a CLIPPER caller March 29, and in reference to a recent notice in our columns stated that he was not retired by Bandmaster Carl Clair, of the Barnum & Bailey Band, at the Olympia, London, Eng. Mr. Ziem says he gave his two weeks' notice, at the expiration of which time he returned to this country and joined Buffalo Bill's Wild West, with which he opens 30, at Madison Square Garden, this city.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington.—A banner engagement can be recorded for one of the Washington playhouses for last week, while the remaining six places of amusement had business ranging from good to bad.

ALBAUGH'S LAFAYETTE SQUARE OPERA HOUSE had John Philip Sousa's opera, "The Bride Elect," to standing room only, and often not even that. The house was sold out every night. The personal popularity of the author, who is a Washingtonian, had very little to do with the success of the opera, for it is one of the brightest, most tuneful and best staged that has ever appeared here. Another week could have been added to the engagement with like pecuniary and satisfactory results. As it is, it stands as by far the best week of the season at this house. This week James MacArthur and Tom Hall's dramatization of Ian Maclaren's three books, "Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush," "Auld Lang Syne" and "Kate Carnagie," is having its initial production on any stage, under the direction of Frank L. Perley and Fred M. Ranken. The title of the first named book has been given the new play. J. R. Stoddard, Marie Burroughs, Augustus W. Cook, Marian A. Chapman, R. A. Roberts, Charles Harbury, Carrie Lee Stoyle, Cuyler D. Hastings, Evangeline Irving, Wyer D. Rochester, Emmett Corrigan and Walter Craven are prominent in the cast. The production is under the management of W. A. Roberts, Jose

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SMOKORIO, Snake Run.—1. From thirty dollars per week upward, according to merit. 2. The field is nearly full, but there is still a demand for good turns of that sort. 3. You would probably do best in the hands of an agent, for without reputation you could scarcely get a hearing through your own efforts.

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CURIOUS ARTIST.—We do not think the act has ever been done, nor do we think it scarcely worth the doing, for while it would prove novel, it would probably not be sufficiently attractive to command sufficient salary to pay the three men engaged in it.

C. P. C., Grand Marais.—James B. Hickok, known as Wild Bill, died in Deadwood, Wyo. Ter., Aug. 2, 1876.

J. L., Bradford.—The information you seek may be found in THE CLIPPER ANNUAL for 1898. Copies may be had at newsdealers or at this office. Price twenty-five cents.

F. P., Butte.—Address C. S. Lawrence, 88 and 90 Centre Street, New York City.

J. L. R., Siverly.—We cannot furnish such a list. Advertise in THE CLIPPER. See rates at head of this column.

R. W., Cincinnati.—Address the party in care of THE CLIPPER.

J. R., Quincy.—*The San Francisco Music and Drama*, 636 Clay Street, San Francisco, Cal.

CAMILLE, Taunton.—1. There is no fixed time. Some stay upon the road all Summer. 2. We have no record of the closing date of that company last season, nor has any announcement been made concerning the closing date of the current season.

W. J. B., Louisville.—There is no way in which you can prevent others from doing acts of that kind.

CARICATURIST, Sumner.—1. Address C. S. Lawrence, 88 and 90 Centre Street, New York City. 2, 3. There is no demand for such an attraction upon the stage, except for the purpose of song illustration. We do not know what demand there may be in churches or school rooms, nor are we acquainted with those who work in that field.

E. B., Hoboken.—You are both wrong. "The Mikado" was not produced in this country until the year 1885.

L. O. L., Three Rivers.—There is no demand in the show business for amateur musicians, and it is impossible to quote any salary, granting that you were so fortunate as to secure an engagement.

L. A. W., Chicago.—1. The company is not known to us. 2. Address the party in care of THE CLIPPER.

C. G. C., Elkhart.—The parties whose address you seek are entirely unknown to us, nor have we been able to learn anything concerning them.

R. E. H., Litchfield.—Any printer can supply you with such cards, but under the laws governing the Order of Elks no member of the order is permitted to use them for advertising purposes.

Z. W. C., Los Angeles.—Address Charles F. Atkinson, Bowdoin Square Theatre, Boston, Mass.

F. H., Oakwood.—We advertise all letters addressed to professionals in our care.

L. D. C., Bath Beach.—The show will travel under that name this season. We have not been advised of date of opening.

D. R., Lexington.—1. We think you can. 2, 3. Address C. S. Lawrence, 88 and 90 Centre Street, New York City.

CARDS.

H. F., St. Paul.—1. The party to whom six cards were dealt, and who did not announce the fact till after he had looked at his hand, is out of the game, his hand being dead; if he had announced the fact before raising his hand it would have been a misdeal, and the cards would have been reshuffled and recut. 2. Send to Dick & Fitzgerald, 18 Ann Street, New York City, for "American Hoyle."

E. H., New York City.—1. From Dick & Fitzgerald, 18 Ann Street, this city. 2. When playing cassino for a given number of points the first player who succeeds in scoring the number agreed upon wins the game; consequently A won, B's claim being preposterous. 3. There is no such rule.

G. L. C., New York City.—Any straight flush at poker is what some persons choose to call a "royal" or "tiger" flush; it may be ace, king, queen, knave and ten spot of one suit, or it may be five four, three, deuce and ace of any one suit. A wins the bet.

A. R., Jefferson City.—1. Presuming from your letter that the number of points constituting the game, as played by you, was eleven, and each of the three players having made ten, B, who played high, won, notwithstanding that A made in play the two he gave. C was the loser, as low takes precedence in rank of jack. 2. Supposing still that the agreed upon number of points to constitute game was eleven, B, with one to go, won with high. The regulation number of points to a game of auction pitch is ten.

R. J., Troy.—B has no run for the last card in 5, 7, 6 and 7, and counts only for the go.

C. N. P., Jersey City.—A hand of three 6's, a 5 and a 4 counts twenty-one in cribbage.

W. A. Y., Gold Coast.—1. When a call is made at draw poker all the players who stay must show their full hands. 2. It is not.

BASEBALL, CRICKET, ETC.

W. C. F., Chicago.—In the case of a foul strike the ball is not considered in play until it is held by the pitcher standing in his position, and the umpire has called "play."

J. H., Utica.—The umpire was right in deciding that the run did not count, the third man being considered to be put out before reaching first base.

W. B. O., Freeport.—No.

ATHLETIC.

J. A. S., Providence.—B, who bet that Providence would finish in either first or second place won, as Providence did finish second. The withdrawal of the other teams before the close had nothing to do with the wager.

DICE, DOMINOES, ETC.

R. H. F., Jersey City.—1. In all dice games the six is nigh and the ace low, the intermediate numbers ranking accordingly. Five sixes is the highest hand that can be held at poker dice. 2. Those issues are out of print.

RING.

H. C., Glens Falls.—When the late Jack Dempsey fought George La Blanche at Larchmont, N. Y., March 14, 1886, skin gloves were worn by the principals.

L. O. L., Three Rivers.—1. You can obtain books on the subject from Dick & Fitzgerald, 18 Ann Street, New York City. 2, 3, 4. See "Dramatic" answers.

JOBOK, Jackson.—By a special rule of the P. R. all wagers on the result of a fight must go as do the main stakes; consequently the bet in question must be drawn also.

PONEY, New York.—George W. Moore is Charley Mitchell's father in law, and Mitchell may be in some capacity connected with the show, but we do not know that he is.

G. M. M., Rochester.—1. Charles (alias "Kid") McCoy's right name is Norman Selby. 2. Tommy Ryan was born at Redwood, N. Y., March 20, 1870. His right name is Joseph Youngs.

MISCELLANEOUS.

T. F., Abington.—If the principals to the match mutually agreed upon a man to furnish the scales and weigh the birds, the party who refused to accept the scales after the weighing had been done should pay forfeit of the money up.

BATTLESHIP, Springfield.—The maximum thickness of the armor on the battleships named is as follows: Massachusetts, 18in. on the side, 15in. on the turrets, 17in. on the barbettes; Iowa, 14in. on the side, 15in. on the turrets and barbettes; Indiana, 18in. on the side, 15in. on the turrets, 17in. on the barbettes.

J. L., Trumbull.—A torpedo boat is a boat carrying torpedoes to be used offensively against an enemy. They are small, lightly built, as fast as possible, and lightly armed. A torpedo boat destroyer is a boat intended to attack and destroy torpedo boats. It is of the same general style of construction as torpedo boats, but is larger and more heavily armed. It is required to have sufficient speed to overtake torpedo boats, which, as a rule, are fast enough to escape from any large ship, in smooth water.

W. E. M., Great Falls.—As the greater circle has necessarily to enclose the lesser, the hunter has necessarily to go around the squirrel when he goes around that part of the tree about which the squirrel revolves.

W. S., Tower.—We cannot refer you to any one who manufactures what you wish to obtain. Doubtless something that would answer the purpose could be readily made in Tower.

H. N. F. JR., Danbury.—We have no use for a correspondent there.

J. Z.—The presiding officer of a lodge or society is not entitled to vote except when by actual count the vote is found to be a tie, an equal number voting for and against, in which case he has the right to cast the deciding vote, provided, of course, it is a motion which a majority vote is competent to decide.

H. F. C., Albia.—As there were no cars at all on the side track, the bet is void.

S. McD.—The card costs sixteen dollars.

D. A. M., New York.—We are not aware that it has any special significance, but may be accounted for on the ground of eccentricity on the part of the sender.

F. S. P., Chicago.—The list of State and county fairs will be published in THE CLIPPER early in August, as usual.

A. T. P., San Francisco.—We have no authentic record, a great deal of "fake" business characterizing that part of the show business. See page 136 of THE CLIPPER ANNUAL for 1898.

Chess.

Solutions.

BY ADOLPH DOSSENBACH.

Enigma 2,150, Part I.—1..B to K B 5!, K to B 3; 2..R to R sq, K to Kt 4(*a*); 3..Kt to K 4 +; 4..R mates! (*a*) If Black 2..K to his 2; 3..R to B 7 +; 4..Kt, or R, mates: If 1..K to Q sq; 2..R to B 6, K to his 2; 3..R to B 7 +; and R, or Kt, mates ac'ly; and if 1..K to B sq; 2..R to R 8 +, K to his 2; 3..R to R 7 +, etc.

SAME—PART II.

1..Kt × P!	K × P(1)	3..Q to Kt 5 Ad lib.
2..Kt–Q 5	K–B 5(*b*)	4..Q mates ac'ly!

(*b*) If 2..K to his 7; 3..Q to B sq!, and, move as Black will, Q R, or Kt will mate.

(1)

1..	If B × P(2)	3..K × B Ad lib.
2..Kt to R 4	B–B 8 +!	4..Q mates.

(2)

1..	If B to Q B 5(3)	3..Q × B + Ad lib.
2..Kt to K 4	B × R P(*c*)	4..Q, or R, mates ac'ly.

(*c*) If 2..K × P; 3..Q to B 3 +, etc.

(3)

1..	If P to Q 4	3..Q to B 3 + K × Kt
2..Kt to K 2	K × P!	4..Q × B, mate.

OF PROBLEM NO. 2,150.

1..R × P!	R to R 8 +	3..K to Kt sq! Kt × B(*e*)
2..Q × R!	B × Kt(*d*)	4..Q–R 8 +; 5..Q mates!!

(*e*) If 3..Q to B sq, or R × P; 4..Kt to Q 3 +; 5..P, or R, mates ac'ly: if Q × K P; 4..R × Q +; 5..Q mates: if Q to her 3, *or* R to Q 7, *or* Kt × P; 4..Q to R 8 +, etc.: if B × Q; 4..Kt to Q 3 +, etc.

(*d*) If 2..K × Kt; 3..Kt to Kt 3 +, B–K 5!; 4..R × B +, P × R; 5..Q × P, mate.

(1)

2..	If P × Kt(2)	4..R to Kt 5 + Ad lib.
3..K to Kt 3!	Kt–K 6(*f*)	5..Q to R 6, or 8, mate ac'ly.

(*f*) If 3..Kt × B; 4..Q to R 5 Q, etc.: and if Q × K P; 4..R × Q +; and Q mates.

(2)

2..	If Kt × B(3)	4..Q × Kt + Ad lib.
3..R × Kt +	K–Q 5(*g*)	5..Q–her R 4, mate!

(*g*) If 3..B to Q 4; 4..R × B +; and Q mates.

(3)

2..	If Q to her 3(*h*)	4..B × Q + K × Kt
3..Kt to Kt 5!	Q–her 5(*i*)	5..Kt–R 3, mate.

(*i*) If 3..B to K 5; 4..Kt to B 7 +, etc.

(*h*) If 2..R to Q 7; 3..Kt to Kt 5, etc.

Lastly, if Black 1..R to Q 7, *or* Q to her 3; 2..Kt to Kt 5, R +!; 3..Q × R, etc. Our contributor justly notes this problem—"Grand!"

Enigma No. 2,154.

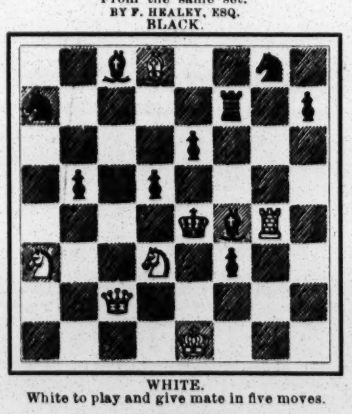
From First Prize set in the famous "Bristol Tourney."
"THE CLIMAX."—BY F. HEALEY, ESQ.

White mates in three!
A world famed set.

White mates in four.

Problem No. 2,154.

From the same set.
BY F. HEALEY, ESQ.
BLACK.



WHITE.
White to play and give mate in five moves.

The Cable Match—Collated.

To save space and repetitions we open up with the pairings of the combatants, the Americans having the odd, the English, the even numbers.

1. Pillsbury vs. Blackburne	6. Mills vs. Delmar
2. Burn vs. Showalter	7. Baird vs. Locock
3. Barry vs. Caro	8. Jackson vs. Young
4. Atkins vs. Ed. Hymes	9. Robinson vs. Jacobs
5. Hodges vs. Bellingham	10. Trenchard vs. Galbreath

VIII.—FRENCH DEFENCE.

White, Mr. Jackson.	Black, Mr. Young.	White, Mr. Jackson.	Black, Mr. Young.
1..P to K 4	P to K 3(‡)	19..B P × Kt P	R P × P
2..P–Q 4	P–Q 4	20..K R–B sq	K R–home
3..Q Kt–B 3	K Kt–K 2	21..Q–her 2†	R–his 4
4..K Kt–B 3	P–Q 4	22..P–K Kt 4	K Kt × P
5..K P × P	Q B × P	23..K R × P +	Q × K R
6..Castles	K Kt–B 3	24..K Kt × Q	K × K Kt
7..Q B–Kt 5	P–K R 3	25..R–K B sq +	K Kt–B 3
8..Q B–R 4	P–K Kt 4	26..K B–K 4!	Q R–K R
9..B–Kt 3	K B–Q 3	27..K B × B *wins*	P–K Kt 5
10..P–Q B 4	Q B–Kt 2	28..Q Kt–K 4	R–his 8 +
11..K R–K sq	K–B sq	29..K–his B 2	Kt × Kt +
12..Q Kt–B 3	K B × B	30..B × K Kt	K R–his 5
13..R P × B	Q Kt–R 3	31..K–Kt 3 *dis* +	K–home
14..Q–K 2	K–Kt 2	32..B–Kt 6 +	K–Q 2
15..Q B–Q sq	K R–K sq	33..P × P *dis* +	K–B sq
16..K B–Kt sq	P–Q B 3	34..Q–her 6	Kt × P
17..K Kt–K 5!	Q–K 2	35..R–B 7. Adjourned; but Black speedily resigned.	
18..P–K B 4	P–Q B 4		

(*) By Mr. Y.'s own dictum do we convict him. "Grand Tactics," p. 352, unequivocally pronounces this "inferior." When one deliberately commences with an inferior move more are sure to follow, and what but defeat is to be expected at the hands of such a noted matador as Mr. Jackson?

IV.—FRENCH DEFENCE.

Mr. Atkins.	Mr. Hymes.	Mr. Atkins.	Mr. Hymes.
1..P to K 4	P to K 3(†)	19..K R × R	Q R to Q sq
2..Q–K 2	K B–K 2	20..R–K B sq	Q R–Q 6
3..P–K Kt 3	P–Q 4	21..Kt–B 6 +	K B × Kt
4..P–Q 3	K Kt–B 3	22..K P × B	Kt–his 3
5..K Kt–Kt 2	P–Q Kt 3	23..Q–K 2	Q R–Q sq
6..P–K 5	K Kt–Q 2	24..B 2d P × P	Q Kt–Q 5
7..K Kt–B 3	P–Q B 4	25..Q B × Kt	P × B
8..Castles	Q Kt–B 3	26..Kt–his 5	P–K R 3
9..P–K B 4	Q B–Kt 2	27..Kt × K P	B P × Kt
10..Q B–K 3	Q–her B 2	28..Q × K P +	K × Kt P
11..P–Q B 3	Q B–R 3	29..K B × B	Q × K B
12..Q Kt–Q 2	Castle, K R	30..P–K B 5	Kt–R sq
13..Q R–Q sq	Q R–B sq	31..P–B 6 +	K–B sq
14..P–Q B 4	Q P × P	32..P–K B 7	Kt × P
15..Q P × P	K R–Q sq	33..Q × R P +	K–home
16..P–Q Kt 3	K Kt–B sq	34..Q–Kt 6	K–B sq
17..Q Kt–K 4	Q B–Kt 2	35..Q–R 6 +	K–Kt sq,
18..Q–Kt 4	K R × R	drawn, at Mr. A.'s offer.	

(†) Passing this, the game is contested with admirable courage and spirit, delightful to read and instructive to study.

VI.—FRENCH DEFENCE.

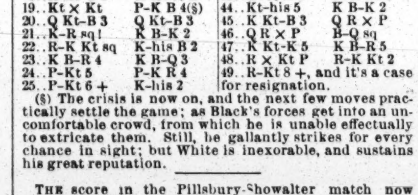
Mr. Mills.	Mr. Delmar.	Mr. Mills.	Mr. Delmar.
1..P to K 4	P to K 3(‡)	22..P to K B 5	P to K 4
2..P–Q 4	P–Q 4	23..Kt–Kt 6	K B–Q 3
3..Q Kt–B 3	K Kt–K 2	24..Q Kt × R	Q R × Kt
4..K Kt–B 3	Q P × P	25..Q–her B 2	Q–K B 2
5..Q Kt × P	K Kt–B 4	26..P–Q Kt 3	P–Q Kt 4
6..K B–Q 3	Q Kt–B 3	27..Q P × P	K B–B 4 +
7..P–Q B 3	K B–K 2	28..Q B–B 2	K B × B +
8..Castles	P–K R 3	29..Q × K B	B P × P
9..Q–her B 2	K Kt–Q 3	30..K R × P	P–Q B 3
10..P B–B 4	Castles	31..Q P–K sq	P–Q R 4
11..K R–Q sq	P–K Kt 4	32..P–K Kt 4	P–Q R 5
12..K Kt–K 5	Q B–Kt 2	33..Kt P × P	Kt P × P
13..Q B–Kt 3	Q–K sq	34..P–Q R 3	Q–K B 3
14..P–K B 4	K Kt–B 4	35..Q–Kt 4	K–his R 2
15..Q–K B 2	Q R–Q sq	36..Q × R P	Q–Kt 4
16..Q Kt–Q 2	P–K B 3	37..Q–her B 2	Q–K R 5
17..Kt × Kt	Q B × Kt	38..P–B 6 *dis* +	K–Kt sq
18..K R–K sq	Q–K R 4	39..B P × P	K R–B 2
19..Q Kt–B 3	Q B–Q 4	40..K R–K 3	Q–K B 5
20..K B × Kt	Q × K B	41..K R–Kt 3.	Adjourned.
21..Q Kt–R 4	Q–K R 4	Mr. D. shortly resigned.	

(‡) Good bye to this detestable opening! It has cost a score of 2¼ to ¾ only—a disheartening handicap to the rest of the team.

VII.—TWO KTS' DEFENCE.

Mr. Baird.	Mr. Locock.	Mr. Baird.	Mr. Locock.
1..P to K 4	P to K 4	35..K to Kt 2	Q R to his 4
2..K Kt–B 3	Q Kt–B 3	36..K–Q B 3	K R–K sq
3..K B–B 4	K Kt–B 3	37..K–Q 3	K R–Q sq
4..P–Q 3	K B–B 4	38..K–Q B 3	K–Q B 2
5..Castles	P–Q 3	39..Q R–Q 2	K R–K sq
6..P–Q B 3	K B–Kt 3	40..K–Kt 2	K R–Q R
7..K B–Kt 3	Q Kt–K 2	41..K–Kt sq	K R–K sq
8..K Kt–R 4	Q B–Kt 5	42..K–Q B sq	K R–Q R
9..Q–K sq	Kt–Kt 3	43..K–Q sq	K R–home
10..Q B–Kt 5	Q–her 2	44..K–home	K R–Q R
11..Q Kt–Q 2	K Kt–R 4	45..K–his B 2	K R–home
12..Q Kt–B 4	P–K B 3	46..K–Kt sq	K R–K sq
13..Q Kt × B	R P × Kt	47..K–B 2	K P–home
14..Kt × Kt	R P × Kt	48..Q R–B 2	K–Q 2
15..Q B–K 3	P–K Kt 4	49..K R–Q 2	K–his 2
16..P–K B 3	Q B–K 3	50..K–his 2	K–Q 2
17..K B × B	Q × K B	51..K–Q 3	K–his 2
18..P–Q Kt 3	K Kt–B 5	52..K–his 2	K R–Q sq
19..Q R × Kt	Kt P × B	53..K–Q sq	K R–K sq
20..Q–K B 2	K–his 2	54..K–B sq	K R–Q R
21..K R–K sq	Q R–his 6	55..K–Kt 2	K R–Q R
22..Q R–Kt sq	K R–R sq	56..K–Kt sq	K R–home
23..Q R–Kt 2	Q–her 2	57..Q R–B sq	K R–Q R
24..P–Q 4	Q–Kt 4	58..Q R–K sq	K R–K sq
25..Q–her 2	Q–her R 4	59..K R–K 2	K–his B 2
26..K R–K 2	K P × P	60..K–Kt 2	K R–Q R
27..B P × P	Q × Q	61..K–Kt sq	K R–K sq
28..Q R × Q(‡)	P–K Kt 4	62..K–Kt 2	K R–Q R
29..K–his B 2	K R–home	63..Q R–home	K R–K sq
30..Q R–B 2	P–Q B 3	64..P–Q Kt 4	Q R–his 5
31..P–K R 3	Q R–his 4	65..K–Kt 3	P–Q Kt 4
32..K–home	K R–R sq	66..P–Q R 3	Q R–his 2
33..K–Q sq	K–Q 2	67..Q R–Q B	K R–Q R
34..K–B sq	Q R–Kt 4	68..K R–R 2	Drawn.

(‡) We give the position after this, the last exchange:



at K Kt, Q 2, K 2, Q R 2, Q Kt 3, Q 4, K 4, K B 3, Kt 2, R 2.

at K 2, Q R, 6, Q Kt 2, 3, Q B 2, Q 3, K B 3, 5, Kt 4.

The mid game has been strikingly original and interesting; but from this point nothing could be tamer or more monotonous.

IX.—DUTCH DEFENCE.

Mr. Robinson.	Mr. Jacobs.	Mr. Robinson.	Mr. Jacobs.
1..P to Q 4	P to K B 4	32..Q home	Q to K R 6
2..P–Q B 4	P–K 3	33..K–his B 2	K R–Kt 3
3..P–K 3	K Kt–B 3	34..P–Q R 3	K B × Kt
4..K B–K 2	K B–K 2	35..Q × K B	Q R × P
5..Q Kt–B 3	Castles	36..Q R–K Kt	Q R–R 3
6..K Kt–B 3	P–Q Kt 3	37..Q–Kt 4	Q–Kt 5
7..Castles	Q B–Kt 2	38..Q–her 2	Q B 6 +
8..P–Q Kt 3	K Kt–K 5!	39..K–home	Q R–R 6
9..Q R–Kt 2	P–Q 4	40..K B 2	B–home
10..Q R–B sq	Q Kt–Q 2	41..B–home	Q × Q +
11..Q–her B 2	Q R–B sq	42..K × Q	Q B–Kt 5
12..B P × P	Q P × P	43..K–B sq	P–K R 4
13..K B–Q 3	P–Q B 3	44..Q B–Q 2	Q B–B 6
14..Q Kt–K 2	K B–Q 3	45..K R–B 2	P–K R 5
15..Kt–Kt 3	Q–K 2	46..P–K Kt 4	K R × P
16..Q–K 2	Q R–K sq	47..Q R × R	Q B × R
17..K B–R 2	Q B–R sq	48..K–Kt sq	B–B 6
18..K B–Q 3	Q–K B 3	49..R–his 2	R–Kt 6 +
19..K B × Kt	B P × B	50..K–B 2	Q R–Kt 5
20..K Kt–Q 2	Q–K R 5	51..P–Q Kt 4	P–K R 6
21..P–K B 4	Q R–K 3	52..B–his 3	B–Kt 7
22..Q–K R 5	Q–home	53..Q B–Q 2	K–his B 2
23..K R–B 2	Q R–R 3	54..B–his 3	R–his 3
24..Q–K 2	Q–her B sq	55..Q B–Q 2	P–K Kt 4
25..Q Kt–B sq	Q Kt–B 3	56..B–home	Kt P × P
26..P–K Kt 3	Q B–Kt 2	57..K P × P	K–B 4
27..K R–Kt 2	Kt–Kt 5	58..Q B–K 3	R × P +
28..P–K R 4	Q B–R 3	59..Q B × R	K × Q B
29..Q–K sq	K B–Kt 5	60..P–Q R 4	P–Kt 4
30..Q Kt–R 2	K R–B 3	61..R P × P	B P × P
31..Kt × Kt	Q × Q Kt	62..K–Kt sq	K B 6, and

the American lost; but it is a gallant battle, and he can say with a great writer: "To win is fame, to lose, not loss of fame." It is an undisguised pleasure to read the polished, artistic creation to which the genial English paladin treats us.

X.—QUEEN'S P OPENING.

Trenchard.	Galbreath	Trenchard	Galbreath.
1..P to Q 4	P to Q 4	26..Kt to Kt 5	Kt–home
2..P–K 3	P–K 3	27..Kt–R 7	Q B–Q 2
3..K B–Q 3	K Kt–B 3	28..K B × B	Kt × B
4..P–K B 4	K B–Q 3	29..Kt × R	Q R × Kt
5..K Kt–R 3	P–Q B 4	30..Q × R P	Kt–B 3
6..P–Q B 3	Q Kt–B 3	31..Q–K B 3	R–K R sq
7..Castles	Q Kt–K 2	32..K R–Kt 3	Q–her 2
8..Q Kt–Q 2	P–Q Kt 3	33..R–his 3	R–K Kt sq
9..Q Kt–B 3	Q–her B 2	34..P–Q R 3	Q–Kt 4
10..Q Kt–K 5	Castles	35..Q–K 2	P–Q R 4
11..Kt–his 5	P–K R 3	36..Q R–K Kt	P–Q R 5
12..K Kt–R 3	Q B–Kt 2	37..K R–his 7	K–R sq
13..Q B–Q 2	P–Q B 5	38..Kt–R 3	Q–her 2
14..K B–B 2	K Kt–K 5	39..Kt–his 5	Q Kt × R
15..P–K Kt 4	P–K B 3	40..Kt P × Kt	R–R sq
16..Q Kt–B 3	Q R–Q sq	41..Q–K R 5	Q–K sq
17..Q–K 2	Q B–home	42..Q × Q +	K × Q
18..K Kt–B 2	K Kt × B	43..Kt × K P	P–K Kt 3
19..Kt × Kt	P–K B 4(§)	44..Kt–his 5	K B–K 2
20..Q Kt–B 3	Q Kt–B 3	45..K Kt–B 3	Q R × P
21..K–R sq!	K B–K 2	46..Q R × P	B–Q sq
22..R–K Kt sq	K–his B 2	47..K Kt–K 5	K B–R 5
23..K B–R 4	K B–Q 3	48..R × Kt P	R–K Kt 2
24..P–Kt 5	P–K R 4	49..R–Kt 8 +, and it's a case	
25..P–Kt 6 +	K–his 2	for resignation.	

(§) The crisis is now on, and the next few moves practically settle the game; as Black's forces get into an uncomfortable crowd, from which he is unable effectually to extricate them. Still, he gallantly strikes for every chance in sight; but White is inexorable, and sustains his great reputation.

THE score in the Pillsbury-Showalter match now stands: Mr. P., 6; Mr. S., 2; drawn, 2.

Checkers.

To Correspondents.

J. J. LEMON.—Answered in our last.

MIRON.—Have written you.

G. W. HANSON.—Received with thanks. Would be pleased to hear from you again.

GROSVENOR.—It is all right; glad to let you have the play.

Solution of Position No. 4, Vol. 46.

BY ROBERT H. JONES, HOLMESBURG, PHILA.

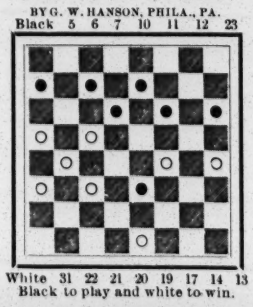
Black 13 20 21 23 K 25
White 30 28 22 18 8
White to play and draw.

8 3	27 32	10 14	13 22	17 20		
23 27	7 10	27 23	14 17	Drawn.		
3 7	32 27	22 17	23 14			

Position No. 5, Vol. 46.

BY G. W. HANSON, PHILA., PA.

Black 5 6 7 10 11 12 23



White 31 22 21 20 19 17 14 13
Black to play and white to win.

Game No. 5, Vol. 46.

KELSO.

Played in the Sixth Scottish Tourney between Messrs. Ferrie and Freedman. Contributed by Lawrence Gilbertson, editor of *The West Lothian Courier*.

10 15	9 14	7 11	11 15	14 18			
21 17	18 9	24 19	13 9	11 15			
11 16	5 14	15 24	6 22	18 22			
17 13	25 21(*a*)	28 19	23 18	15 19			
16 20	7 10	4 8	14 23	25 30			
22 18	26 22	19 16	27 4	19 23			
15 22	3 7	12 19	10 14	1 6			
25 18	22 17	23 7	4 8	Drawn.			
8 11	11 15	2 11	22 25				
29 25	30 26	26 23	8 11				

(*a*) The following line opens up some interesting features.—G. BUCHANAN.

24 19	14 17	28 24	17 22	23 19			
11 16	21 14	2 7	10 7	16 23			
25 21	10 17	18 15	22 26	27 9			
7 10	25 22	7 11	7 2	20 27			
26 22	17 26	17 14	26 30(*b*)	7 16			
3 7	31 22	10 17	2 7	12 19			
30 25(*c*)	7 10	15 10	30 25	Drawn.			
4 8	22 27	6 15	13 9				
22 18	1 5	19 10	5 14				

(*b*) If black crowns the piece on 31, white wins as follows.—G. BUCHANAN.

2 7	23 19	27 18	32 23	7 23			
31 26	16 23	20 27	26 19	White wins.			

(*c*) The following occurred in a game between G. Buchanan and W. K. Campbell:

22 18	16 19	9 6	14 18	17 14			
14 17	18 15	2 9	22 17	31 27			
21 14	4 8	13 6	18 23	32 23			
10 17	30 26	5 9	27 18	19 26			
19 15	12 16	6 2	15 22	14 10			
7 10	26 22	9 14	10 14	26 30			
13 9	1 5	2 7	22 26	10 7			
10 26	15 10	8 11	14 18	16 19			
31 13	6 15	7 10	26 31	7 3			
		Drawn.					

News of the Game.

We are in receipt of specimen pages of the Sixth Annual Scottish Tourney Book. The notes and variations are by Geo. Buchanan, of Glasgow. It will be remembered that Mr. Buchanan played Freedman twelve games, and then the tourney committee compelled these two young experts to decide by ballot which was the best checker player. While there has been some [illegible] for publication, the players will be exceedingly well satisfied by the new arrangement of games, together with the valuable new play and notes. Lawrence Gilbertson has made a marked departure in the arrangement of the play, which will be a constant source of satisfaction to the players, as they, in an instant, can determine the point of variation..... J. P. Reed is conducting a fine checker column in *Scotch*, a weekly publication of Pittsburg, Pa..... *The West Lothian Courier* says that there is a strong probability of Ferrie challenging Jordan to a match for the reputed title. It all depends upon Ferrie's leave of absence from work. If he can get off long enough he will certainly play him.....In the exchange of "courtesies" between Mr. Gilbertson and *The Draughts World*, or in other words, Jas. Lees, Mr. G. has decidedly the best of the argument.....An English tourney is on tap. It will be the first national tournament under the auspices of the English Draughts Association. The first prize will be not less than £20, and the winner will be styled champion of England.....Jas. Brown is far from being satisfied at his defeat at the hands of Clouser, of Jersey City, on "George's" day tournament, and as the relationship is exceedingly strained, both parties have commenced to prepare themselves for war. As the arts of diplomacy are about exhausted, it seems as though a coming conflict is certain. The scene of conflict will no doubt be divided between Jersey City and the rooms of the N. Y. C. C. The games will number twenty, and a suitable stake will go to the winner. May the best man win.

Wheeling.

Coming Events.

May 21—National circuit race meet, Manhattan Beach, Brooklyn, N. Y.
May 30—Tioga Cricket Club race meet, Philadelphia, Pa.
May 30—

Brooklyn's Regimental Athletes.

The annual indoor games of the Twenty-third Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., were held at the armory at Bedford and Atlantic Avenues, Brooklyn, on Saturday evening March 26. The customary large gathering of ladies and gentlemen filled all the space devoted to spectators, and they enjoyed the sports greatly. The competitions were more than usually interesting, as may be inferred from the fact that in the 100 and 220 yards hurdle races, the pole vault and putting the shot fresh armory records were accomplished. The team trophy was captured by Company K, scoring 50 points to 45 for Company F, and 37 to Company A. Summary;

One hundred yards run.—Won by A. C. Porter, Company K, 8ft.; F. Lichtenstein, Company A, scratch, second; W. G. Dann, Company F, scratch, third. Time, 10⅜s.

Half mile run, novice.—Won by G. B. Matthews, Company K; J. T. Hull Jr., Company F, second; W. C. Richardson, Company A, third. Time, 2m. 21⅝s.

Sixty yards run, cadets.—Won by R. E. Brown, F. M. Travis second, G. A. Lewis third. Time, 7⅜s.

One mile bicycle race, novice.—Won by H. H. Wright, Company K; H. C. Hackstaff second; A. T. James, Company F, third. Time, 2m. 51s.

Half mile walk.—Won by A. Cornwell Company E, 30s.; G. E. Rollins, Company A, 10s., second; B. F. Hegeman, Company F, 5s., third. Time, 4m. 42⅘s.

One mile bicycle race.—Won by F. W. Hillman, Company K, scratch; J. H. La Croix, Company D, 20yds., second; E. A. Ross, Company C, scratch, third. Time, 2m. 34⅖s.

Half mile run.—Won by G. W. Bassford, Company D, 40yds.; C. L. Peterson, field music, 35yds., second; J. H. Green Jr., Company K, 30yds., third. Time, 2m. 8s.

Two hundred and twenty yards run.—Won by W. G. Dann, Company F, scratch; J. McClelland, Company E, 11yds., second; J. R. Higgins, Company C, 5yds., third. Time, 25⅝s.

Two hundred and twenty yards run, novice.—Won by K. M. Eyland, Company A; A. W. Bowie, Company H, second; G. A. Smith, Company A, third. Time, 26⅖s.

Sack race, 50yds.—Won by F. R. Coffin, Company A; W. Du Bois, Company K, second; C. B. Nicholson, Company A, third. Time, 11⅘s.

Two hundred and twenty yards hurdle race, novice.—Won by J. P. D. Shiebler, Company H; F. R. Coffin, Company A, second; C. B. Nickolson, Company A, third. Time, 32⅖s.

Four hundred and forty yards run.—Won by W. G. Dann, Company F, scratch; W. J. Dalton, Company K, 16yds., second; A. B. Codet, Company K, 21yds., third. Time, 55⅘s.

Two miles bicycle race.—Won by W. F. Hillman, Company K, scratch; J. H. Lacroix, Company D, 40yds., second; J. R. Shillaber, Company F, 50yds., third. Time, 5m. 22⅘s.

One hundred yards hurdle race.—Won by R. H. Hatfield, Company D, 5ft.; W. Du Bois, Company K, 10ft., second; A. W. Bowie, Company H, 5ft., third. Time, 13⅘s.

One mile run.—Won by L. P. Coleman, Company A, 45yds.; W. H. Scott Jr., Company F, 5yds., second; G. B. Mathews, Company K, 25yds., third. Time, 5m. 19⅘s.

Two hundred and twenty yards hurdle race.—Won by F. S. Greene, Company F, 2yds.; A. B. Wise, Company F, 3yds., second; O. F. Lyon, Company F, 7yds., third. Time, 29⅖s.

Potato race.—Won by W. Du Bois, Company K; J. P. D. Shiebler, Company H, second; J. F. Hull, Company F, third. Time, 55⅘s.

Half mile relay race.—Won by Company K, Company A second, Company F third. Time, 1m. 44⅘s.

Running high jump.—Won by J. F. Howe, Company F, 5ft. 3½in.; R. H. Hatfield, Company D, 5ft. 3½in.; F. R. Coffin, Company A, 5ft. ¾in.

Putting 16lb shot.—Won by A. B. Wise, Company F, scratch, 36ft. 9½in.; L. J. Mygat, Company A, 3ft., actual put, 30ft. 8½in.; J. F. Howe, Company F, 6ft., actual put, 27ft. 1in.

Pole vault.—Won by Hatfield, Company D, 4in., actual jump, 9ft. 11in.

Ernest Roeber and Yousef,

"The Terrible Turk," met at Madison Square Garden, this city, on Saturday night, March 26, for the advertised purpose of engaging in a Græco-Roman wrestling match, for a stated stake of $500 a side and half of the gate money, which amounted to a very respectable sum, as close upon six thousand persons paid admission to the Garden. They were sadly disappointed, however, in their expectation of witnessing a manly and determined struggle between experts at the game, as, shortly after the principals had faced each other on the mat, and before either had secured a hold, Yousef dashed upon Roeber when the latter was close to the edge of the platform, and deliberately pushed him off, he falling upon his head and shoulders with great violence. Foul was promptly claimed by Martin Julian for Roeber, and in opposition to the protest of Billy Brady, acting for the alleged Turk, Hugh Leonard, the referee, decided the match in favor of the Teuton, on account of the foul. The management would seem to deserve great censure for neglecting to surround the platform with the usual posts and ropes, still, it is difficult to get the true inwardness of latter day wrestling matches, and it is possible that no one "in the know" was surprised at the outcome, although the plan may have been a new one.

Williamsburg Athletic Association.

The regular weekly indoor games of the members of this association were held on Tuesday evening, March 22, at the club house in Brooklyn, N. Y., with the result shown below:

Running high jump.—Won by John Scheumm, scratch, 4ft. 6in.; Charles Miller, 8in., second; M. G. Birkard, scratch, third.

Standing broad jump.—Won by Charles Miller, 2ft. 11in., actual jump, 7ft. 4in.; John Scheumm, 8½in., second; M. G. Birkard, 1ft. 2in., third.

Three standing jumps.—Won by John Scheumm, 4ft. 6in., actual jump, 25ft. 3in.; Charles Miller, 4ft. 7in., second; M. G. Birkard, 4ft., third.

Thirty yards obstacle race.—Won by Charles Miller, scratch; John Scheumm, scratch, second; M. G. Birkard, 3ft., third. Time, 23s.

Standing high jump.—Won by Luke B. Packard, scratch, 4ft. 6in.; John Scheumm, 9in., second; M. G. Birkard, 8in., third.

Standing hop, step and jump.—Won by M. G. Birkard, 3ft. 6in., actual jump, 2ift. 8½in.; Luke B. Packard, scratch, second; John Scheumm, 2ft. 6in., third.

Ten yards hopping race.—Won by Luke B. Packard, scratch; John Scheumm, 3ft., second; M. G. Birkard, 2ft., third. Time, 2½s.

Potato gathering.—Won by M. G. Birkard, 2ft.; Charles Miller, 3ft., second; Luke B. Packard, scratch, third. Time, 15⅗s.

New York University vs. Wesleyan.

The gymnastic teams representing the above named universities were pitted against each other in a friendly match at the gymnasium of New York University on Friday evening, March 25, when a series of very spirited competitions were witnessed by a well pleased crowd, the New Yorkers barely winning when the final event was decided. The prize was a silk banner, the teams were limited to nine men each, and three movements were allowed to each contestant. Summary:

Horizontal bar.—W. A. Wyatt, '98, Wesleyan, first; F. J. Belcher, 1900, captain N. Y. U., second; H. D. Meeker, '98, Wesleyan, third.

Club swinging.—R. A. Bowe, N. Y. U., first; J. T. Ladue, N. Y. U., second; R. H. Jones, Wesleyan, third.

Rings.—A. J. Keene, N. Y. U., first; W. Wyatt, Wesleyan, second; F. Belcher, 1900, N. Y. U., third.

Fence vault.—S. A. Dodds, 1901, Wesleyan, first, 6ft. 9in.; R. A. Jones, 1901, Wesleyan, second, 6ft. 8in.; R. Campbell, '98, N. Y. U., third, 6ft. 7in.

Parallel bars.—Belcher, 1900, N. Y. U., first; W. Wyatt, '98, Wesleyan, second; L. E. Herrmann, '98, N. Y. U., third.

Side horse.—Belcher, 1900, N. Y. U., first; F. A. Perry 1901, Wesleyan, second; W. Young, 1901, N. Y. U., third.

Tumbling.—W. Wyatt, Wesleyan, first; V. S. Tompkins, '98, N. Y. U., second; J. T. Ladue, 1900, N. Y. U., third.

High jump.—Cline, Wesleyan, first, 5ft. 7in.; J. Mahoney, '98, N. Y. U., second; W. Wyatt, Wesleyan, third.

Registration Rejected.

At the meeting of the executive committee of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association in this city on Friday evening, March 25, the following resolutions were adopted and sent to the Amateur Athlethic Union:

Whereas, The reply of the registration committee of the Amateur Athletic Union in answer to the resolution submitted to that body by the Intercollegiate A. A. A. A. does not eliminate the objections to the registration scheme as set forth in said resolution; therefore be it

Resolved, That the I. C. A. A. A. A. demand as its right absolute exemption of all its members from the registration scheme of the A. A. U.

The resolutions were drafted by B. H. Hayes, Harvard; J. D. Winsor Jr., University of Pennsylvania, and I. N. Swift, Yale. It is not improbable that the Intercollegiate Association will carry its point, and if so its action will be, no doubt, promptly followed by the Interscholastic Athletic Association, which has the same cause for grievance.

THE MINEOLA (L. I.) WHEELMEN was organized lately with the following officers: President, Edward Monaghan; vice president, Patrick Sullivan; treasurer, Patrick Gowen; financial secretary, Benj. Bernard; secretary, Michael Coffey.

THE Lexington Wheelmen is now officered as follows: President, F. E. Sylvester; vice president, John M. Reid; financial secretary, C. Bartels; recording secretary, C. B. Ruck; treasures, Henry Brand.

THE Dry Goods League Wheelmen, of this city, last week elected officers for one year, as follow: President, J. Tehan; vice president, R. Murphy; secretary and treasurer, L. Sinclair.

THE Associated 'Cycling Clubs of Chicago, Ill., is now officered as follow: President, W. Fisher; vice presidents, W. C. Malley, E. McNeal and A. T. Heywood; treasurer, A. W. Roth; secretary, F. D. McGuire.

E. J. ZEIGLER, of the Glenmore Wheelmen, and Martin Baesl, Montauk Wheelmen, are matched to ride a one hundred miles race on the road on May 8.

Baseball.

ATLANTIC LEAGUE MEETING.

Schedule of Games Adopted—Action Taken Against Rowdy Ball Playing.

The schedule meeting of the Atlantic League was held March 24, at Philadelphia, Pa. The delegates met in Parlar A, of the Bingham House. President E. G. Burrows occupied the chair, and the club officials present were: William Sharsig, Allentown; A. K. Spurrier and Manager Frank Rinn, Lancaster; D. A. Long, Reading; W. L. Dill and Chester Ely, Paterson; Thomas P. Burns, Newark; J. Buckingham and William Traffly, Hartford; Captain E. H. Cunningham, Norfolk, and Jacob Wells, Richmond. The Soby Cup games were abolished, and it was ordered that the cup be returned to its owner. It was voted to give out rain checks in games which are forfeited by the umpire before the end of the third inning. A new rule imposing a fine of $100 upon every club forfeiting a game, was adopted, and the guarantee fund of the league was raised from $500 to $1,000 for each club. The delegates could not get together quickly on the "farming system," or on the "rowdy question," but after a lengthy discussion, it was finally decided "that no club shall be allowed to borrow a player from the National League except for the full championship season." The Brush resolution, as adopted by the big league, was considered as too arbitrary, as it placed too much power in the hands of the umpire. The delegates all expressed themselves in favor of clean ball, and they finally gave power to the umpire to suspend a player for two days who was guilty of a breach of etiquette, or who violated the rules in any way, the player to lose his pay during suspension.

In the matter of back salaries due ten players of the Athletic Club, of Philadelphia, which the arbitration committee has ordered the Atlantic League to pay, the delegates could not see their way clear to immediate action, and the subject was referred to a special committee to report on April 21, when the league will hold a special meeting at the Bingham House. The following umpires were appointed; J. J. Kelly and W. G. Betts, who have both had experience in the National League; Jack Brennan, the old Athletic catcher, and E. C. Tate, formerly catcher of the Boston Club. A schedule of championship games was adopted, and is as follows:

THE SCHEDULE.

Games played at Allentown—With the Hartford team, May 26, 27, 28, June 30, July 1, 2, Aug. 15, 16, 17; Paterson, May 19, 20, 21, Aug. 8, 9, 10, 29, 30, 31; Newark, May 12, 13, 14, Aug. 11, 12, 13, 25, 26, 27; Lancaster, April 28, 29, 30, July 28, 29, 30, Aug. 18, 19, 20; Reading, April 25, 26, 27, May 30, A. M. and P. M., 31, June 1, July 8, 9; Richmond, June 20, 21, 22, July 23, 26, 27, Sept. 1, 2, 3; Norfolk, June 23, 24, 25, Aug. 1, 2, 3, 22, 23, 24.

Games played at Hartford—With the Paterson team, May 2, 3, 4, June 23, 24, 25, Aug. 4, 5, 6; Newark, June 2, 3, 4, July 7, 8, 9, Aug. 22, 23, 24; Allentown, May 16, 17, 18, June 17, 18, 19, July 18, 19, 20; Lancaster, May 5, 6, 7, July 4, A. M. and P. M., 5, 6, Sept. 5, A. M. and P. M., 6; Reading, June 13, 14, 15, Aug. 1, 2, 3, 18, 19, 20; Richmond, May 19, 20, 21, July 21, 22, 23, Aug. 29, 30, 31; Norfolk, June 20, 21, 22, July 28, 29, 30, Aug. 25, 26, 27.

Games played at Lancaster—With the Hartford team, April, 25, 26, 27, May 30 (two games), 31, June 1, Sept. 1, 2, 3; Paterson, May 26, 27, 28, July 18, 19, 20, Aug. 11, 12, 13; Newark, May 19, 20, 21, Aug. 4, 5, 6, 29, 30, 31; Allentown, May 23, 24, 25, June 13, 14, 15, 27, 28, 29; Reading, June 16, 17, 18, 30, July 1, 2, 25, 26, 27; Richmond, June 23, 24, 25, Aug. 1, 2, 3, 22, 23, 24; Norfolk, May 16, A. M. and P. M., 17, 18, July 21, A. M. and P. M., Sept. 12, 13, 14.

Games played at Newark—With the Hartford team, May 1, June 6, 7, 8, 12, July 3, 14, 15, 16, Aug. 14; Paterson, May 7, 30, A. M., June 1, 20, 21, 22, July 4, P. M., 5, 28, 29, 30, Sept. 5, P. M.; Allentown, May 29, June 19, July 17 (two games), 21, 22, 23, A. M. and P. M., Sept. 6, 7; Lancaster, May 2, 3, 4, 8, 22, June 5, Aug. 7, 8, 9, Sept. 4, 9, 10; Reading, May 15, 16, 17, June 23, 24, 25, July 10, 11, 12, 31, Aug. 21; Richmond, May 23, 24, 25, June 30, July 1, 2, 18, 20; Norfolk, May 26, 27, 28, June 26, 27, 28, July 24, 26, 26, Sept. 11, Aug. 29.

Games played at Norfolk—With the Hartford team, May 12, 13, 14, Aug. 8, 9, 10, 11, Sept. 9, 10, A. M. and P. M.; Paterson, April 25, 26, 27, June 16, 17, 18, Aug. 15, 16, 17; Newark, April 28, 29, 30 June 13, 14, 15, Aug. 18, 19, 20; Allentown, May 5, 6, 7, June 6, 7, 8, July 11, 12, 13; Lancaster, May 9, 10, 11, June 9, 10, 11, July 14, 15, 16; Reading, May 2, 3, 4, Aug. 11, 12, 13, Sept. 7, 8, A. M. and P. M.; Richmond, June 1, 2, 3, July 6, 7, 8, Sept. 5, A. M. and P. M., 6.

Games played at Paterson—With the Hartford team, May 8, June 9, 10, 11, July 10, 11, 12, 17, 24, 25, 26; Newark, May 5, 6, 30, P. M., 31, July 4, A. M., 6, 27, Aug. 1, 2, 3, Sept. 5, A. M.; Allentown, May 9, 10, 11, 15, June 5, Aug. 14, 28, Sept. 8, 9, 10; Lancaster, May 1, June 2, 3, 4, July 3, 7, 8, 10, Aug. 21, Sept. 7; Reading, May 29, June 12, 26, July 13, 14, 15, 16, Aug. 7, 22, 23; Richmond, May 16, 17, 18, June 27, 28, 29, July 17, Aug. 25, 26, 27, Sept. 11; Norfolk, May 22, 23, 24, June 19, 30, July 1, 2, 31, Sept. 2, 3, 4.

Games played at Reading—With the Hartford team, April 28, 29, 30, May 23, 24, 25, June 27, 28, 29; Paterson, May 12, 13, 14, June 6, 7, 8, July 21, 22, 23; Newark, May 9, 10, 11, June 9, 10, 11, Sept. 1, 2, 3; Allentown, June 2, 3, 4, July 4, 5, 6, Aug. 4, 5, 6, Sept. 5, A. M. and P. M.; Lancaster, June 30, 31, 22, Aug. 15, 16, 17, 25, 26, 27; Richmond, May 26, 27, A. M. and P. M., 28, July 28, A. M. and P. M., 29, A. M. and P. M., 30; Norfolk, May 19, 20, 21, July 19, 20, Aug. 29, 30, 31.

Games played at Richmond—With the Hartford team, May 9, 10, 11, Aug. 11, 12, 13, Sept. 7, 8, A. M. and P. M.; Paterson, April 28, 29, 30, June 13, 14, 15, Aug. 18, 19, 20; Newark, April 25, 26, 27, June 16, 17, 18, Aug. 15, 16, 17; Allentown, May 2, 3, 4, June 9, 10, 11, July 14, 15, 16; Lancaster, May 12, 13, 14, June 6, 7, 8, July 11, 12, 13; Reading, May 5, 6, 7, Aug. 8, 9, 10, Sept. 9, 10, A. M. and P. M.; Norfolk, May 30, A. M. and P. M., 31, June 4, July 4, A. M. and P. M., 5, 9, Aug. 4, 5, 6.

HART WRITES TO BURNS

Anent the Players' Protest Against Waycross.

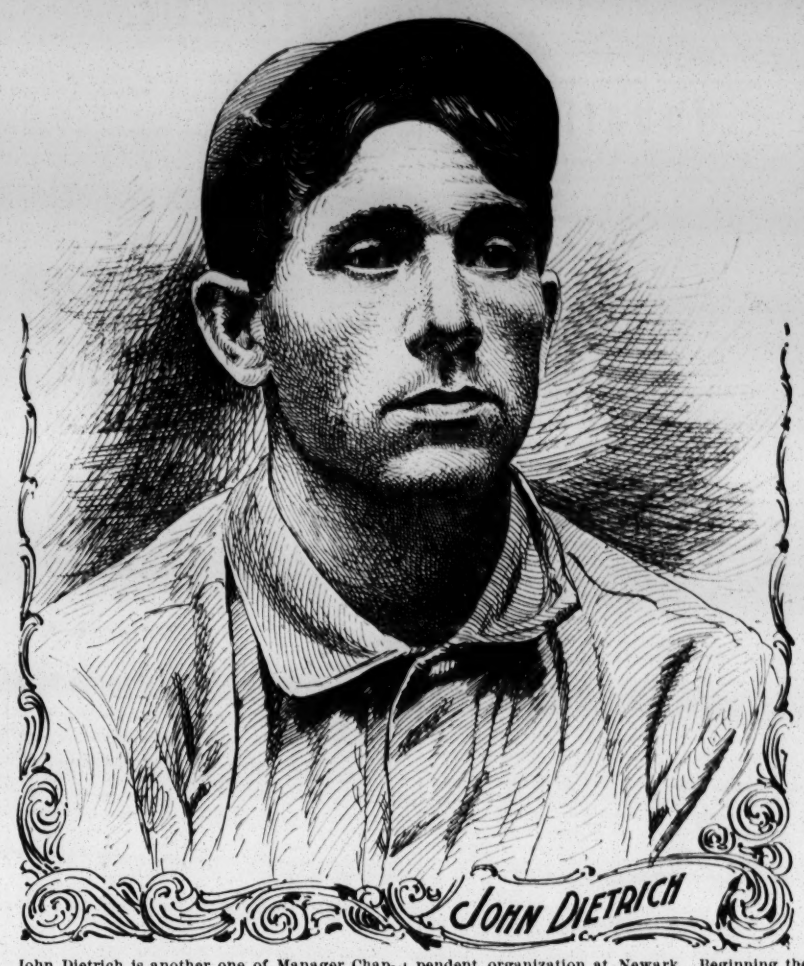
After the loss of considerable time and any amount of patience, traveling over the South looking for suitable training quarters, President James A. Hart, of the Chicago Club, finally selected Waycross, Ga., as the place for his players to do their preliminary training. The men were sent there a week or so ago, but before they had become acclimated they began to find fault with the place and everything there. They were not contented with grumbling among themselves, but sent a protest to President Hart, who was at Chicago, Ill. Mr. Hart, in a letter to Manager Burns, has the following to say on the subject of the dissatisfaction of his players:

As I wired you yesterday, I received the telegram from the players; that you received my reply is evident from the columns of the morning papers. I sincerely regret that the players felt that it was necessary to send such a telegram, and I believe if they had stopped one moment and considered the matter carefully that the telegram would not have been sent, and that they would cease fault finding. During the past nine years the Chicago team has tried no less than eight different places for Spring training, and not one of the eight has been satisfactory from the players' standpoint; at St. Augustine the weather was too cold; at Denver the weather, the hotel and the grounds were all unsatisfactory; at Atlanta the weather and the grounds were faulty; at Galveston the grounds, the weather and, to some, the hotel came in for the usual amount of condemnation; at Hot Springs both the weather and the grounds were condemned; at Kansas City the weather did not please. Chicago was tried as an experiment one year and it was equally as unsatisfactory; therefore I have arrived at the conclusion that a model training place, where the combination of good weather, good grounds and good accommodations may be obtained, does not exist; if it does I have not been able to locate it.

I believe that when the players have been away from Waycross a week they will to a man agree that it is the most satisfactory training place they have had within the past ten years. I realize that there is no entertainment there, and that it must be very dreary as a pleasure resort for the players, and more especially so for the newspaper correspondents, and that to pass the time pleasantly must be quite a severe task. As you know, I visited several towns in the South before I selected Waycross, and I have no hesitation in saying that the conditions in Waycross are much more favorable than at any other town visited by me. There having been no organized professional baseball teams in the South for several years, the grounds in all the cities visited were in horrible condition. In nearly all cases, also, they were far removed from the hotels, which I consider as very undesirable, as the players are apt to take cold returning to the hotel after taking vigorous practice. I know that the hotel at Waycross is not as good as I would like to have found, but I thought that a hotel which is patronized almost exclusively by commercial travelers could be tolerated for the comparatively short time that the players would remain there. As you are doubtless aware, the soil of the entire South, or at any rate the desirable portion of the South, is of a sandy nature, and the trouble which you experience in that particular in Waycross cannot be avoided. I presume that it is more apparent on account of the unusual lack of rain.

The intimation from some of the players that they fear they are going to put up at poor hotels during the season is, to say the least, unkind, for it is a matter of history that during my connection with the Chicago Club the Chicago team has traveled in the best style, stopped at better hotels and have in every way been treated better while on the road than any other team in the National League, a result caused from orders given by me. Why I should be expected to change my ideas in this particular now I cannot understand.

For your exhibition trip through the South I have made arrangements at the very best hotels in the cities to be visited, including the Charleston Hotel at Charleston, the Arlington Hotel at Augusta, the Kimball House at Atlanta, the Battle House at Mobile, and the New St. Charles at New Orleans. You doubtless remember what my instructions were to you in this regard, which were that at all times to stop at the best hotels, obtainable, to get the best traveling accommodations possible, to secure the best mode of transportation to and from the grounds, to pay for the transportation of the players' trunks, and in fact to in every way cater to the comfort of the players.



John Dietrich is another one of Manager Chapman's Meriden champions of the Connecticut State League. He was born March 30, 1875, at Newark, N. J., and learned the rudiments of the national game on the lots of his native place. He started out on his professional career with the Toronto team, of the Eastern League, under Mr. Chapman's management, in 1895, he participating in forty-one championship games that season, all of which he played in the outfield. During the season of 1896 he was a member of the Scranton team, also of the Eastern League, and the Ironsides, an independent organization at Newark. Beginning the season with the former, after a brief engagement he was released and finished the season with the Ironsides. Last year he signed with the Meridans and played the season through. He clearly showed that he had the stuff in him of which successful players are made, and the managers of the club look upon him as a man likely to prove of great value to the team in coming seasons. He is a warm favorite at Meriden, and besides being a fine player he is a royal good fellow. He is of athletic build, weighing about 155 pounds.

The entire party, including the newspaper correspondents, should bear in mind that Spring training cannot be a picnic; it consists of hard work, and more or less of short duration, and as it is entirely for the good of the players, and an expense to the club of some $3,000, I do not think they should go out of their way to find fault with conditions which cannot, under any possibility of circumstances, be changed for the better.

Kindly read this letter to the players and to the correspondents, and if any of them have anything to suggest that will, in any way, add to the contentment of any member of the party, have them express it. If it is the desire of the players to return North, where good hotels may be had, I will consider it. Trusting that a Sunday's rest has put them in a better frame of mind, and that they will try and bear their hardship with as cheerful dispositions as possible, I am, with kindest regards to the entire party, JAMES A. HART.

Notwithstanding the above lecture President Hart allowed the players' quarters to be changed to Savannah, Ga.

UNIVERSITY TEAMS.

Candidates for Princeton, Yale, Harvard, Pennsylvania and Brown.

Candidates for the college teams of the season of 1898 have been hard at work indoors for at least a month, but until some outdoor work has been done estimates of the value of new material are, at most, speculation. Concerning those who have played in former years, however, either as regulars or substitutes, and who are to be candidates this year, something of value may be said. Princeton has lost heavily, and will have to fill several important positions with new men. Wilson, Jayne and Altman, pitchers and outfielders; Bradley, outfielder, and Smith, second baseman, have graduated. This leaves Princeton without her two most effective pitchers, her second baseman and two outfielders. Kafer will undoubtedly catch, and should be the best of the college catchers this year. Kelly will again play first, and Butler in some other infield position. Third Baseman Hildebrand, and Easton, who played in the field last year, are both good pitchers and will probably be reserved for that position. This leaves two new infielders and a whole outfield to be provided, though Easton can field one outfield position when not needed as a pitcher. Suter and Wheeler have both played in Princeton's outfield at various times and may be regarded as seasoned material. It will be readily seen that Kafer and Kelly are probably the only members of the team of 1897 who will be seen this year in their old places, and that Princeton is in for a thorough reorganization, with several changes of position and at least four new men.

At Yale the changes are not so numerous. Goodwin, who did most of the catching, is in college, but Keiffer, a new man, is said to do better work. Letton at first base and Fincke at third have graduated, leaving two new infielders to be provided. Camp and Hazen, shortstop and second base of last year's team, are candidates this year. Keator's graduation took the best outfielder, but Cptain Greenway, Wear and Hecker, all of whom played last year, should fill the places very acceptably. Yale has lost none of last year's pitchers, except Fincke, who pitched an occasional game. Captain Greenway is the best man of the lot, but his arm has not been in good pitching condition for a year and it is very doubtful if he can stand the work this year. With him out of the race Feary is the best of last year's men. His work was none too good last year and Yale will probably rely on new material. Yale's team is therefore but little changed from last year's, and should be strong if a good pitcher can be developed. The batting of Keator and Letton will be missed, but otherwise the team starts off about as strong as it was at the close of last year.

Harvard's chances depend almost wholly on her success in developing a battery to replace Paine and Scannell. Dean and Stevenson, at second and third, have graduated, but their places will be easily filled by strong players. Haughton will probably be moved from first to second, and Lewis, of last year's freshman team, plased on first. There are several of the "second nine" players who can fill Stevenson's place very satisfactorily. Chandler, last year's shortstop, is a candidate for his old place, but has several dangerous "second nine" rivals. In the outfield Rand and Burgess will undoubtedly play a fourth year, and Lynch, a substitute for the 1897 team, is every bit as strong a player as Beale, whose graduation has left centre field vacant. It is too early to say anything of the battery candidates. Outside the battery Harvard will be stronger than last year, and has the whole of last year's unusually good freshman team as substitutes.

At Pennsylvania practically all of last year's team are at work, and the only place that is giving much anxiety is that of pitcher. For this place there are several strong candidates, but just how good a pitcher Pennsylvania will develop is as yet a mere matter of speculation. The team, as a whole, should be stronger than last year, as most of last year's men were inexperienced.

At Brown the stonewall infield is still intact, and is in itself a splendid beginning. Brown has lost two of her pitchers, and must develop some new batteries to be as strong as she was last year.

Little has been heard from, Cornell and the colleges of the New England Association were late in beginning outdoor practice.

John H. Gaffney, the veteran umpire, will officiate, so it is announced, for the Holy Cross College team in all its home games at Worcester, Mass., during the coming season.

George Decker, the clever all around player of the Chicago team, will manage the Omaha team, of the Western League, during the coming season.

DIAMOND FIELD GOSSIP.

Latest Sayings and Doings of the Baseball Fraternity.

Just as regular as the baseball season comes around there is sure to be some trouble between the club officials and their players. Sometimes the differences are quickly adjusted, but there are cases where it requires considerable persuasive eloquence and parliamentary action before the troubles are settled. Then there have been times when the matter has remained in abeyance the entire season. Of course these cases have been few and far apart. It cannot be called a general rebellion on the part of all the players, but it strikes here and there all over the circuit, some club feeling it more than others. This year the Baltimore Club is having the greatest trouble with some of its all star players, who have formed a combine and refused to sign at the terms offered them. Manager Hanlon said, in recently speaking about the matter: "The trouble is they have been treated too well. If they had some club owners to deal with they would have gone South and trained with the other men, because they would have known that the owners and managers would stand no foolishness. I have always tried to treat my players fairly and with just as much consideration as possible, because I have been a player myself, and know what it means to play for tyrants. But some of the Baltimore players have not appreciated it. They feel that because I am lenient I am easy to bulldoze into anything. It is true that the season has been lengthened, but they have no right to 'kick' on that. Just because the club owners have heretofore seen fit to pay their players for two or three weeks after the season closed is no reason why the players should complain when they are asked to play until the contract season ends. Last year, while the players were under contract to and being paid by the Baltimore Club, I divided money from exhibition games with them. Did any club before ever pay its men for exhibition games during the playing season? Well, I guess not. As for going South, it is true that the men are not being paid, but all their expenses are paid, and they are taken South to get into playing condition, so that they can earn their salaries. Do you suppose that the performers in a play, or in an athletic show, have all their expenses paid for preparing themselves for the work they are paid to do? Suppose an actor would demand pay for the time he was preparing himself for his part, or an athlete for the time he was training for his feat. Either would be laughed at. We decided to offer our players a cash bonus of $4,000, to be divided among them if the team won the championship, and $1,800 if they came in second. This was decided upon months ago, and every player, the 'kickers' as well as the others, were notified of the club's offer. It was done because I wanted the men to have ambition to win and to go South and condition themselves to win. We have the largest salary list in the major league, and the players certainly ought to give the club their best efforts anyhow, but we offered the bonus as an extra inducement, and to show that we wanted to be as liberal as possible. What shall I do? I know, but I prefer not to say just now. There is a lot of bluff in a good deal of this foolishness, and some, at least, of the men, were anxious to go South, and those who refuse to do so will hear from me in due time. In the meantime, I am not in the least disturbed about the matter."

"In a little more than a month the burned grand stand at Olympic Park, this city, will be replaced by a structure not only as good but in many respects far better. Work has been begun, the contractors having set men to work yesterday to remove the debris. This will take a few days, and then the timbers will be laid for the new stand itself. President Franklin is confident that the stand will be ready for occupancy within forty days," says *The Buffalo Express* of March 25. "The contract was let yesterday morning, and within a few hours the successful bidders, Niederpruem & Co., with offices in the D. S. Morgan Building, had men at work. Their bid was $4,050, and was the lowest of the several submitted. The new stand will seat about 3,000 persons, and will be very similar to the old one. Although not finally determined, the entrances will probably be on a level with the ground, and the ascent to the seats will be by easy terraces on the inside. There will also be much more room between the rows of seats, a change which will be appreciated by those who are in the habit of attending the exhibitions at these grounds."

Efforts are being made by a Salamanca, N. Y., club for the formation of an amateur league, with clubs located at Randolph, East Randolph, Ellicottville, Orleans, Salamanca and some other place yet to be decided. Randolph and East Randolph have already signified their willingness to enter such a league, but the other towns have not given definite answers as yet.

The contract for the preparation of the new ball grounds of the Brooklyn Club, in South Brooklyn, was awarded on March 24, and work was at once begun. The contractors agree to have everything in shape for the opening game on April 29. Miss Male Ebbets, daughter of Charles H. Ebbets, president of the Brooklyns, drove a shovel into the ground and dug up the first dirt to be taken from the new park and christened it Washington Park, as was foretold in last week's issue of THE CLIPPER would be its name.

Manager Rowe has sent notices to all the members of the Buffalo team, of the Eastern League, to report at the Bison City on April 10. That date falls on Sunday, and the following morning the players will do a little light work at the ball park. They will remain at Buffalo about a week, and then will make a short trip through Ohio and Pennsylvania, returning to Buffalo for a game on Sunday, April 17.

Manager Frank Selee, of the Boston team, said, in recently speaking about Pitcher Nichols, who is holding off for an increase of over what has been offered him this year: "I will confess that I knew some time ago that Nichols was dissatisfied with the salary offered him, but did not care to make the matter public. It is an affair with which I have nothing to do; it rests entirely with President Soden. The Boston Club is very strict in its observance of the salary rules. An exception was made in the case of Nichols in 1894. It was agreed to pay Nichols extra money for pitching extra games. It was found that he could not stand the extra games, but, notwithstanding that he did not do the work he was expected to do, he was paid the sum agreed upon. One of the players said 'Nick' thought he ought to have more money in the light of the fact that Hawley got $3,000 from Pittsburg last season. He thought if the salary limit was evaded in the case of one man there was no reason why it should not be in another, and he thought he was entitled to a raise as much as a pitcher like Hawley. For my part, I am free to say I should not feel in the least jealous if the president of the Boston Club saw fit to give Nick the salary he wants. Certainly, he is a grand pitcher, and the team would be weakened considerably if he refused to play. At the same time, $2,400 for a season's work is good money in these times, and I think he will be acting foolishly if he does not sign when he finds out it is the best he can do."

The following is a list of the most important games to be played by the principal university teams among themselves during the coming season: April 27, Yale vs. Brown, at New Haven; 30; Cornell vs. Princeton, at Ithaca; May 7, Harvard vs. Cornell, at Ithaca; Princeton vs. Brown, at Providence; 14, Cornell vs. Univ. of Penn., at Philadelphia; Harvard vs. Princeton, at Princeton; Yale vs. Brown, at Providence; 18, Univ. of Penn. vs. Brown, at Philadelphia; 21, Princeton vs. Cornell, at Princeton; Harvard vs Univ. of Penn., at Philadelphia; 25, Princeton vs. Brown, at Princeton; 28, Princeton vs. Harvard, at Cambridge; Univ. of Penn. vs. Cornell, at Ithaca; 30, Yale vs. Brown, at Providence; June 1, Cornell vs. Univ. of Penn., at Philadelphia; 4, Harvard vs. Brown, at Cambridge; Princeton vs. Yale, at New Haven; 11, Yale vs. Princeton, at Princeton; Harvard vs. Univ. of Penn., at Cambridge; 13, Univ. of Penn. vs. Brown, at Providence; 15, Harvard vs. Brown, at Providence; 23, Yale vs. Harvard, at Cambridge; 28, Yale vs. Harvard, at New Haven.

Base running is a most important factor in a struggle for a major league pennant, but, strange to say, the skillful base runner is the scarcest article in that organization. According to figures, the Baltimores, with Stenzel at the head, were the best base runners, the totals of her first six men being 354, against New York's best six, Davis leading, 230. Boston, with a point combination of 213, was third, with Cincinnati, Brooklyn and Cleveland coming in the order named. It shows that base running is a necessity to a pennant winning team. It is only necessary to take the case of the New Yorks. Their exhibition of general all round fielding was as poor as it could be. As a batting team they were sixth on the list at the end of the season, yet by their good base running and strong pitching department they made a good showing and were third in the race.

Some writers over the country have set up a howl of displeasure ever since the Brush resolution was adopted at the St. Louis major league meeting. They have been saying all kinds of things about the Indianapolis man. Among others is that "Mr. Brush worked the league to his own interest," that "he easily hoodwinked the other magnates by palming off alleged reform rules," etc. How absurd! It is evident that those writers do not know the major league magnates or they would never be guilty of penning such silly stuff. A shrewder or a brighter lot of business men than the major league officials seldom convene for any purpose. It was certainly a mean slur for the other magnates. Mr. Brush's resolution speaks for itself and needs no encomiums.

We acknowledge the receipt of an advanced copy of *Reach's Official Guide* for the season of 1898. Undoubtedly it is one of the best books of its kind ever issued by the A. J. Reach Co., and is invaluable to any one who is connected with the national game. The averages alone are worth more than the price of the book, while there is other valuable information, including the rules, the Brush resolution against ruffianism, work of the major league pitchers, schedules, etc. *The Guide* will take a prominent place in baseball history as an abridgment of the principal events of the past year.

Chauncey Fisher is dissatisfied with the Omaha assignment by the Brooklyn Club. Chauncey thinks he is fast enough for the major league, and he is going to demonstrate that fact by pitching for a minor league team at Anderson, Ind. After giving himself a trial, if he is satisfied with his work, then he is going to demand a trial from the Brooklyn Club, or ask for his unconditional release. If the latter is not granted, then—well, he may consider the matter and decide what will be for his best interests.

Waycross, Ga., has not proved the bonanza in the way of training quarters that President Hart anticipated. The men are dissatisfied and have asked to be taken to some other near be place, as they cannot properly train where they are. "It is the jayest town I ever saw," says Tim Donahue, the club's comedian. "Why there is nothing to look at. Not even a "Yap" can be seen more than once a week." The kick had its effect, the players' quarters were changed to Savannah, Ga.

Charles B. Power, president of the Inter-State League, who was once an umpire, gives his experience as one of the latter officials as follows: "It is the most miserable life a man can imagine. Often I would go home after a game fully determined to resign my position. The foul names applied to me by players would ring through my head all night, so that I could not sleep. Sometimes I would get sick thinking of it, and the only consolation I had was that I was performing my work honestly."

The preliminary formation of the Indiana League was effected at a meeting held March 22, at Anderson, Ind. The cities are Anderson, Muncie, Marion, Kokomo, Elwood and Alexandria. The schedule will be arranged at Muncie March 31. It will be a five months' season, opening April 21, salary limit $600. C. K. McCullough, president of the old Indiana League, will be president, and H. T. Mote, president of the old Kansas League, secretary.

A dispatch from Little Rock, Ark., says that during a practice game there March 24, by the players of the Pittsburg team, Pitcher William Hart was struck in the face by a batted ball from Schriver's bat. The ball came with such force that Hart's jaw was broken in two places. The injured man was taken to his room and attended by two physicians.

President Young's list of umpires who will officiate during the coming season in the National League and American Association is announced as follows: Lynch, Emslie, McDonald, O'Day, Wood, Connelly, Cushman, Heydler, Snyder, Swartwood, Andrews and Curry. All are well known to the profession, and should give entire satisfaction under the new rules.

Hallman, the Brooklyn's second baseman, claims that he is in better condition this Spring than he has been at any time in the past four years, and consequently he expects to play better ball during the coming season than he has in some years.

M. S. Robison, vice president of the Cleveland Club, is seriously ill at Hot Springs, Ark., from an attack of appendicitis. He was taken suddenly ill on March 21, and on the following day it was necessary to call for a consultation of physicians.

It is announced that A. C. Anson, ex-captain of the Chicago team, has an option on that club, which has several weeks yet to run. The price for the club is said to be $150,000.

The Philadelphia Club has started the weeding process. Several of its surplus players have been disposed of to minor league teams.

The Richmond team, of the Atlantic League, reported for Spring practice at Richmond, Va., March 20, says our Richmond correspondent. Manager Jake Wells and the following players composed the team: Chas. Lutenberg, H. Schmidt, Ralph Sybold, Ed. Coneff, R. J. Crozier, Leahey, Denton, Kloph, Hess, H. C. Epps, Stockdale, Kain, Chesbro, Vignaux and Conloza, of *The Richmond Times*. The boys have been hard at work during the week. Friday, March 25, the Augusta team, of the Southern League, played against the Richmonds, the score standing 8 to 5 in favor of the latter. Saturday, March 26, Richmond and Augusta played another game; score, 12 to 2 in favor of Richmond. Boston, of the National League, will play here March 28 against Richmond.

The enthusiasts of Birmingham, Ala., are very much pleased over the prospects of a successful season. The following is the personel of the Birmingham team: Frank S. Haller, manager and first base; La Port C. Willig, Callinower, Posner, Streaher and Switzer, pitchers; Montgomery, second base; Gilligan, short stop; Veitch, third base; Shean, centre field; Riley, right field; Knox, left field; Vallendorf, extra.

Cricket.

The English Team in Australia.

The return game between the visiting English team and the eleven representing the colony of Victoria was played March 11, 12, 14, 15, at Melbourne, and terminated in an unexpected victory for the former eleven by seven wickets, the respective totals being; Victoria, 328 and 132; England, 279 and 183 for three wickets. Stoddart and Briggs stood out of the visiting team, it being arranged for Board to keep wicket, while Storer was played for his batting and bowling. Rush was substituted for McMichael on the home team, but failed to score in either inning. The visitors lost the toss for the eighth time in eleven games, and the home team consequently batted first. Trumble, who made 107, and Stuckey, who scored 59, were the chief contributors to the total in the first inning of the Victoria team, putting on 116 in partnership for the third wicket. Mason and Storer each took four wickets in this inning. Hayward and Ranjitsinhji did most of the run getting for the visitors in the first inning, the former scoring 96 and the latter 61, the pair putting on 114 for the third wicket. Worrall, with 41, and McLeod, with 26, made a good start in the second inning of the home team, but the remainder failed to make much of a stand against Richardson, who bowled five wickets for 35 runs. Bruce was badly hurt by a fast ball bowled by Richardson and had to retire from the wicket. After three wickets were down for 82, Ranjitsinhji and Hayward made a stand in the second inning of the visitors, and hit off the remaining runs required to win before they could be parted, the former scoring 61, not out, and the latter making 33, not out. The Melbourne Club entertained the English team at a banquet March 14, when the amateurs of the team were made life members of the home club, and the eight professionals were presented with £25 each. A. E. Stoddart, the captain of the English team, had been presented previously by the trustees of the Sydney and Melbourne Clubs with a costly gold watch and chain, as a mark of esteem and to acknowledge the service he had rendered Australian cricket.

AN ACCIDENT of a peculiar nature happened in the recent intercolonial contest at Melbourne between representative elevens of Victoria and Tasmania. E. S. Pickett, one of the Tasmania team, ran to stop a ball while fielding, and as he stooped to take it he slipped and rolled over, sustaining a fracture of the arm between the elbow and wrist.

IN A GAME recently played at Adelaide, South Australia, H. McKay bowled seven wickets for 16 runs in the first inning, and took the entire ten wickets at the cost of only 21 runs in the second inning. In each inning he was credited with taking three wickets with three consecutive balls.

THE Harvard University eleven this season will include D. H. Adams, J. A. Lester and J. H. Scattergood, formerly of the Haverford College eleven. The season will be opened April 27, by a game with the Zingari team, of Boston, Mass.

A TEAM of English amateurs, members of the British Parliament, will sail from Liverpool for Canada in July, playing a match at Ottawa with an eleven of the Canadian Parliament, and then going to New Zealand and Australia for similar matches.

A TEAM of the Chicago Wanderers, captained by J. G. Davis, intend making a visit East during the coming season, and will endeavor to arrange a series of games with the leading clubs of this vicinity and Philadelphia.

The Ring.

How Jeffries Outfought Jackson.

The twenty rounds boxing contest between Jim Jeffries, the strong man of Los Angeles, Cal., and the veteran, Peter Jackson, the skillful colored heavyweight, took place at Woodward's Pavilion, in San Francisco, on Tuesday evening, March 22, and was stopped by the authorities in the third round, and the decision given to Jeffries. The building was packed, and many persons were turned away. Betting was lively, with Jeffries the favorite, at the odds of 10 to 6.

Jackson was beaten after a knockdown at the end of the second round. Jeffries is an awkward boxer, but he soon demonstrated that he could hit severe blows, and the slowness of Jackson in taking advantage of openings showed clearly that he had no chance of winning should Jeffries push the fighting.

At the end of the first round his seconds evidently coached Jim to make an aggressive fight. He pushed Jackson all around the ring, and soon after the opening of the second round he landed heavily on Jackson's jaw. The blow was not delivered with full force, but he watched his chance and soon landed on the point of the jaw, which knocked Jackson to the carpet. The latter took his time and rose very groggy. A moment afterward Jeffries landed another trip hammer blow on the jaw and Jackson went down a second time. The call of time alone saved him, as he reeled into the corner supported by his seconds.

It was evident that Peter could not last another round. He feinted for a time at the opening of the third round, but Jeffries gave him no breathing spell, landing first on the wind and then delivering several rapid blows right and left on the jaw. Jackson could not protect himself, and hung helpless on the ropes. Capt. Whitmann then entered the ring and stopped the fight, as it was evident that Jackson was beaten.

The contest did not show Jeffries to be either a clever boxer or a good ring general. Had Fitzsimmons or Choynski been against him openings which he gave in the first round would have been fatal. He is slow, but very powerful, and if he increases in skill and quickness he will be a dangerous opponent for any one in his class.

Fatal Fight in New Jersey.

Henry C. Braun, who, as stated in our last issue, was seriously injured during a boxing bout with Jack Smith before the Palace Athletic Club, Trenton, N. J., night of March 21, died at St. Francis' Hospital, that city, at 9.30 A. M., 22, never having regained consciousness after being carried from the ring. County Physician Rogers made a post-mortem examination, assisted by four other physicians, and found that death was caused by hemorrhage of the brain, due to a ruptured artery. He held that the rupture could have been caused either by a blow on the head or a fall. Smith was locked up at police headquarters to await the result of the coroner's inquest. The charge is manslaughter. The referee, Samuel C. Austin; the manager, John Skelly; Smith's seconds, Clifford Valentine, Timothy Sykes and John A. Cobine, and Braun's seconds, John A. Kelly and Michael McGovern, surrendered themselves to the police, and were placed under $500 bail as accessories to the killing, and as witnesses. Braun was twenty-six years old, and leaves a widow and child. He was a potter by trade, and had gained considerable local reputation as an athlete. The coroner's jury that investigated the case, 24, found that Braun's death was caused either by a blow or a fall, they were unable to determine which. Smith was held without bail by Police Justice Jackson, and the others who were arrested gave bail for their appearance as witnesses.

PATSY BRODERICK, of Providence, R. I., and Benny Leon, of New York, met at the Young Men's Gymnasium Club in Central Falls, N. Y., night of March 25, the fight being scheduled for twenty rounds, at 118 pounds. The milling was rapid during the first seven rounds, with honors easy, but after that Leon fell off weak, and in the thirteenth round he was knocked out, the closing round lasting but a minute and a half.

TOM SHARKEY and Jim Jeffries have been matched for a twenty round go in San Francisco, Cal., next month.

Aquatic.

Coming Events.

May 20—University of Pennsylvania vs. United States Naval Academy, eight oared match race, Severn River, Annapolis, Md.

May 30—Harlem Regatta Association annual amateur regatta, New York City.

May 30—Passaic River Amateur Rowing Association annual regatta, Newark, N. J.

June 3—Cornwall Military School vs. Cascadilla Preparatory School, eight oared match race, Cornwall on the Hudson, N. Y.

June 23 or 24—Cornell-Yale-Harvard Universities annual eight oared race, New London, Ct.

June 30 or July 1—Cornell-Columbia-Pennsylvania Universities eight oared race, Poughkeepsie or Saratoga, N. Y.

ANOTHER VICTORY FOR OXFORD.

The Oxonians, for the Ninth Successive Year, Vanquish Cambridge.

LONDON, March 26.—The fifty-fifth annual boat race between the crews of the universities of Oxford and Cambridge was rowed this afternoon over the Thames championship course, of four and one-quarter miles, from Putney to Mortlake, and was won by Oxford by six lengths. The weather at Putney this morning was cold and bitter. A strong northeasterly gale was blowing, and the umpires met at 11 o'clock to consider the possibility of rowing the race under the existing conditions. After consultation it was determined that, as the river would be at full flood at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, the hour fixed for starting, it would be impracticable to row over the course then. At 2.43 o'clock the umpire and judge steamed over the course to ascertain the possibility of rowing at all. Snow was falling and the water was getting rougher.

The crowd at the river side was much smaller than usual, on account of the rough weather, and everybody was uncomfortable and dispirited. When the judge returned from his trip over the course the umpire said he though it would be foolish to row the race today. Pechell, the coxswain of the Oxford boat, declared that the water was far too rough to row a satisfactory race. Nevertheless, a consultation was had, which resulted in a decision to row. Oxford won the toss and chose the Middlesex side.

The boats, which were equipped with air bladders, started at 3.48 o'clock. Cambridge led slightly at the start and was half a length ahead at the boat house of the London Rowing Club. At Craven Cottage Cambridge began to cross over to the sheltered water on the Middlesex side, but Oxford held her ground and led by her forward canvas abreast of the cottage. It was a good race from this on to Hammersmith Bridge, which was passed with Oxford leading by quite two lengths. At Chiswick Oxford was rowing strong and had increased her lead to between four and five lengths. At Thornycrofts' Oxford was rowing a 34 stroke strongly, and was several lengths ahead. Cambridge was rowing a stroke of 33 to the minute at Barnes Bridge, but Oxford kept drawing away and reached the finish an easy winner. Oxford's time was 22 minutes 15 seconds.

The race was rowed in a pelting rain and a gale of wind, one boat being filled with water at the finish. This shows the folly of fixing such an event for an English March, the forced postponement of yesterday's university athletic sports on account of bad weather emphasizing the error. If the crews were evenly matched, the fact of losing the toss in such weather would be sufficient to cause the loss of the race. As it was, the loss of the toss today put Cambridge out of court from the outset. The Cantabs labored in a rough sea, rowed unevenly, and shipped water almost immediately after starting. Both crews hugged the Middlesex shore for shelter, but Cambridge was too far behind even to get Oxford's wash. At Crabtree, Bell, the Cambridge stroke, increased the rate of speed and made an effort which was momentarily successful, but Oxford was rowing with the utmost ease and calm and gained at every stroke, shooting Hammersmith Bridge 200 yards ahead. Cambridge rowed on doggedly, but was going so slowly and wearily that at Thornycrofts' the steamers following the racers slowed down to avoid running over them. Cambridge ceased rowing off Mortlake, completely beat out, and with her boat filled with water. As a matter of fact, the race was a dull procession. The Cantabs' watermanship was utterly unable to cope with the rough water and strong wind, and they literally floundered along. The crews rowed as follow:

OXFORD.

	Lbs.
R. O. Pitman, New, bow	152½
G. O. Edwards, New	176
C. K. Philips, New	171
F. Warre, Balliol	180
C. D. Burnell, Magdalen	194½
R. Carr, Balliol	173½
A. T Herbert, Balliol	178
H. C. Go'd, Magdalen, stroke	166½
H. K. Pechell, Brasenose, coxswain	117

CAMBRIDGE.

	Lbs.
W. B. Rennie, Emmanuel, bow	161¼
J. F. Beale, First Trinity	170
H. G. Brown, First Trinity	195¼
S. V. Pearson, Emmanuel	177¼
A. W. Swanton, Jesus	178¾
R. B. Etherington-Smith, First Trinity	183½
C. J. D. Goldie, Third Trinity	169½
A. S. Bell, Trinity Hall, stroke	170
E. C. Hawkins, Caius, coxswain	114

The Long Island Yachtsmen.

The executive committee of the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound has arranged the following schedule of racing dates on the Sound during the coming season:

May 14—Huguenot Y. C., special race.
May 21—New Rochelle Y. C., special race.
May 30—Harlem Y. C., annual regatta, for all classes.
May 30—Indian Harbor Y. C., special race.
June 1—Yale Corinthian Y. C., annual regatta.
June 4—Knickerbocker Y. C., annual regatta, for all classes.
June 11—Corinthian Fleet of New Rochelle, annual regatta.
June 20—New Haven Y. C., annual regatta.
June 25—Seawanhaka-Corinthian Y. C., annual race.
June 27—Stamford Y. C., annual regatta, for all classes.
June 28—Indian Harbor Y. C., special race.
June 29—Douglaston Y. C., annual regatta.
June 30—Horseshoe Harbor Club, special race.
July 1—Sea Cliff Y. C., special regatta.
July 2—New Rochelle Y. C. annual regatta. End of racing circuit.
July 5—American Y. C., annual regatta.
July 9—Riverside Y. C., annual race.
July 11 to July 15—Seawanhaka-Corinthian Y. C., trial races for 20ft. class of sloops.
July 30—Indian Harbor Y. C., annual regatta, for all classes.
Aug. 6—Hempstead Harbor Club, annual regatta.
Aug. 13—Horseshoe Harbor Club, annual regatta.
Aug. 20—Huguenot Y. C., annual regatta.
Aug. 27—Indian Harbor Y. C., special regatta.
Sept. 3—Seawanhaka-Corinthian Y. C., Fall race, for all classes.
Sept. 5—Norwalk Y. C., annual regatta.
Sept. 10—Riverside Y. C., Fall race.
Sept. 17—American Y. C., Fall regatta, for all classes.

COL. JOHN OAKEY, United States Commissioner for the Eastern District of the State of New York, was found dead in his bed at his residence, 865 Union Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Thursday morning, March 24, death being due to apoplexy. He was born in that city, in 1829, was a lawyer and a veteran of the Civil War, being a member of Mansfield Post, G. A. R. He was an enthusiastic yachtsman, was a member of the Brooklyn Yacht Club and an honorary member of the Atlantics.

RICHARD YOUMANS, a well known boat builder, died March 26, at his home in Canarsie Shore, L. I., aged fifty-six. He built many of the fastest boats in Jamaica Bay, including the Glenmore, Lottie R., and Aethella. With John Vreeland he built the sloop H. H. Adams, which at one time was the fastest boat of her length in the bay.

THE Toronto (Can.) Swimming Club will be thus officered this year: President, S. C. Clark; vice president, Charles S. Norris; hon. secretary, T. W. W. Jones; hon. treasurer, W. J. Stitt.

WALTER C. GILSON, a member of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club and the Larchmont Yacht Club, died in this city March 22.

WILLIAM H. ADAMS died in Orange, N. J., March 26. He took much interest in rowing, and was a valued member of the Nassau Boat Club.

F. L. DODDS, one of the early middle distance riders, died recently in England, at the age of forty-two years. When, on March 25, 1876, at Cambridge, he rode 15 miles 1,480 yards in one hour it was regarded as a remarkable feat. What a difference twixt then and now.

Athletic.

New Jersey's Military Athletes.

The annual indoor games of the members of the Fourth Regiment, N. G. S. N. J., were held in the armory in Jersey City on Monday evening, March 28, in the presence of nearly three thousand persons, who evidently derived a great deal of enjoyment from the competitions, which were generally very interesting. Summary:

Fifty yards run.—W. H. Barclay, Company B, 14ft., won; G. H. Weston, Company A, 11ft., second; E. Zinn, Company E, 5ft., third. Time, 5⅝s.

Fifty yards run.—S. Murry, Brooklyn, 13ft., won; W. H. Barclay, N. J. A. C., 14ft., second; W. B. Brister, N. J. A. C., 6ft., third. Time, 5⅝s.

Two hundred and twenty yards hurdle race.—A. McLintock, New York, 15yds., won; W. H. Barclay, N. J. A. C., 15yds., second; Jerome Buck, K. A. C., 4yds., third. Time, 29s.

Four hundred and forty yards run, novice.—J. H. Shannon, Company B, won; H. J. Thoman, Company A, second; R. J. Hogan, Company D, third. Time, 1m. 2⅝s.

Four hundred and forty yards run.—R. L. Eaton, N. J. A. C., 17yds., won; H. W. Garthe, P. A. C., 25yds., second; P. J. Walsh, St. F. X. A. A., 15yds., third. Time, 53⅜s.

Four hundred and forty yards run.—G. H. Weston, Company A, 22yds., won; A. J. Mendes, Company K, 18yds., second; W. B. Brister, Company G, 14yds., third. Time, 56⅞s.

Eight hundred and eighty yards run, novice.—M. J. McCarthy, St. F. X. A. A., won; P. Weston, Jersey City, second; James Shouskie third. Time, 2m. 19⅝s.

Fifty yards run, novice.—M. Tilden, Company C, won; H. M. Hoffman, Company B, second; W. G. Edgar, Company G, third. Time, 6⅛s.

Eight hundred and eighty yards run.—James Sheren, Company L, 35yds., won; Jerome Buck, Company K, 15yds., second; J. D. Wardrop, Company K, 45yds., third. Time, 2m. 7s.

Two hundred and twenty yards run.—W. H. Barclay, Company B, 15yds., won; W. A. Whyte, Company B, 13yds., second; Nelson Buck, Company K, 13yds., third. Time, 25⅝s.

Three miles run.—Won by Thomas O'Connor, P. A. C., 1m. 5s.; J. W. Rumpf, St. G. A. C., 1m. 50s., second; James Simpson, Y. M. C. A., 1m. 45s., third. Time, 16m. 16⅗s.

Cornell Will Play Lacrosse.

Within the last few weeks great efforts have been made at Cornell to organize an efficient lacrosse team. For a time it seemed as if these would be unsuccessful, but finally enough old players were found who were willing to play to make up a fairly good team. Although the men have done little work as yet, Manager McElroy believes that there is sufficient evidence of playing strength to warrant a fairly good schedule. He announced the latter today. It is as follows: May 2, Hobart, at Ithaca; May 7, Harvard, at Cambridge; May 9, Lehigh, at South Bethlehem; May 16, C. C. N. Y., at New York City; May 17, Columbia, at New York City; May 18, Crescents, at New York City.

M. J. DWYER AND J. L. SNYDER engaged in a catch as catch can wrestling match at Conover Hall, St. Paul, Minn., on the evening of March 22, the former gaining an easy victory by taking two straight falls in pretty quick time.

Lawn Tennis.

Lawn Tennis Schedule.

The executive committee of the National Lawn Tennis Association held a meeting on Thursday evening, March 10, in this city, when the principal business transacted was the arranging of the schedule for the coming season, which is herewith given:

April 30—Interscholastic championships at Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Columbia, Chicago and Pennsylvania.
May 17—Southern championship, at Washington.
May 24—New England championship, at New Haven, Ct.
May 29—Open tournament of the California T. C., San Francisco, Cal.
June 14—Women's championships, singles, doubles and mixed doubles, at Philadelphia, Pa.
June 17—Massachusetts State championship, at Longwood, Mass.
June 17—Washington State championship, at Seattle.
June 20—Pennsylvania State championship, at Philadelphia, Pa.
June 21—Metropolitan championship, at the West Side T. C., New York.
June 27—Invitation tournament of the Neighborhood Club, West Newton, Mass.
July 1—Pacific coast championship, at San Rafael, Cal.
July 4—Middle States championship, at Orange, N. J.
July 11—Invitation tournament of the Essex County Country Club, Essex, Mass.
July 12—Canadian championship, at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.
July 12—Invitation tournament, at West Superior, Mich.
July 18—New York State championship, at Syracuse, N. Y.
July 18—Western championships, singles and doubles, at Chicago, Ill.
July 25—Eastern championship doubles and Longwood Challenge Cup, singles, at Longwood, Mass.
July 25—Northwestern championships, at Minneapolis, Minn.
Aug. 2—Open tournament at Hotel Wentworth, New Castle, N. H.
Aug. 9—Maine State championship at Sorrento, Me.
Aug. 9.—Open tournament at Magnolia Beach, Mass.
Aug. 9—Vermont State championship, at Bennington Centre, Vt.
Aug. 10—Pacific Northwestern championship, at Tacoma, Wash.
Aug. 16—National championships, men's singles, East vs. West, men's doubles and interscholastic finals, Casino, Newport, R. I.
Aug. 16—Interstate championships, at Omaha, Neb.
Aug. 18.—International tournament, at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada.
Aug. 29.—Women's championship of the West, at Chicago, Ill.
Sept. 1.—Open tournament of the South Orange Field Club, Orange, N. J.
Sept. 6-9.—Championships of Western Pennsylvania, Pittsburg, Pa.
Sept. 7.—Pacific Coast championships for men's doubles and women's singles, at Del Monte, Monterey, Cal.
Sept. 7.—Hudson River championships, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Sept. 15.—Rhode Island championships, at Providence, R. I.
Oct. 5.—Intercollegiate championships, at New Haven, Ct.

The Grand American Handicap.

The annual live bird tournament under the auspices of the Interstate Trap Shooting Association opened at Elkwood Park, Long Branch, N. J., on Tuesday, March 22, continuing until 25. The tourney brought together the greatest number of expert wing shots, representing all parts of the country, that ever assembled in America at one time and place, and included all the leading professionals. The event in which interest centred was the Grand American Handicap, for which over two hundred entries were received, 133 representing the Eastern section of the States, 50 the West, 16 the South, and Canada sending 2. The conditions governing the handicap are as follow: Twenty-five live birds; handicaps ranging from 25 to 33 yards; 50 yards boundary, with a dead line at the 33 yards mark; $1,500 divided among the three highest guns—$600 to first, $500 to second and $400 to third. All money in the purse in excess of $1,000 divided among high guns other than the three first. The number of parts into which the surplus money is divided is determined by the number of entries received. The tourney attracted goodly crowds of those interested in trap shooting each day, and the work of the leaders was watched closely, while monetary speculation on the outcome, and between different men, was brisk during the continuance of the contest. The result was practically decided on 24, when nine men tied on clean scores, viz.: J. A. R. Elliott, Kansas City, Mo., 31yds.; Rolla O. Heikes, Dayton, O., 30yds.; E. D. Fulford, Utica, N. Y., 29yds.; G. W. Loomis, Omaha, Neb., 28yds.; T. P. Laflin, Rock Island, Ill, 28yds.; "Walters," Long Branch, N. J., 27yds.; N. F. Bender, New York, 27yds.; "Jim" Jones, Philadelphia, Pa., 27yds., and W. Wagner, Washington, D. C., 27yds. They decided to divide the cash prizes, thus securing $412.60 each. Twenty-two tied on twenty-four birds, each securing $61.85. Their names are: E. M. Cooper, A. Doty, E. A. Leach, A. W. Money, George C. Roll, J. B. Savage, F. Schwartz, J. S. Fanning, Jay Snell, S. Glover, T. J. Laughry, "Roberts," Dr. J. B. Mosher, William Adolph, "Donly," Captain Bunk, A. Willy, J. M. Thompson, E. C. Burkhardt, E. C. Rice, W. P. Shattuck and Lee Huckins. The scratch men, Capt. J. L. Brewer and Fred Gilbert, standing at 32yds., each killed twenty-three, failing to take a prize. During the week they made a match to shoot for a trophy and $100 a side, at Chicago, Ill., on a date not yet fixed. On 25 the nine contestants who tied for first shot off for the $250 silver trophy, miss and out, twenty-five birds each, and the result was a win for Fulford, who killed twenty-three birds in succession; Loomis second, 22; Jones third, 13; Bender fourth, 10; "Walters," a nephew of Tim Daly, Sr., 7th; Laflin sixth, 6; Heikes seventh, 3; Elliott eighth, 0; Wagner ninth, 0. Afterwards a match at one hundred birds each, for a stake, was shot by Capt. Brewer and Frank Parmalee, the former winning by 94 to 90. Each man stood at the twenty-three yards mark. Fulford has issued a challenge to the winner of the match between Gilbert and Brewer, to shoot for the world's championship and a suitable stake.

The Turf.

New Louisiana Jockey Club.

The annual Spring meeting of this Southern organization commenced at New Orleans, La., on Thursday afternoon, 24, and will be continued six days. The assemblage on the opening day was large, the speculation spirited, the racing interesting, with close finishes, and the management were well satisfied. As the days that followed were equally fruitful of good results, the meeting, it may be truthfully said, has so far proven successful. The events decided up to the time of going to press are summarised below:

March 24.—First race—Six furlongs—Adowa, 102, Sullivan, 6 to 1, won; Minnie Weldon, 110, Smith, 15 to 1, second; Uncas, 112, Barrett, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:15..... Second race—Five furlongs—Freehand, 105, Sullivan, 11 to 10, won; Sulpheric, 99, Dupee, 5 to 2, second; Mouzeltoff, 99, C. Clay, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:01¼.....Third race—Mile and a sixteenth—Pete Kitchen, 104, Lynch, 5 to 1, won; Royal Choice, 104, P. Clay, 8 to 1, second; Headlight, 107, Dupee, 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:48..... Fourth race—Mile and twenty yards—Blacking Brush, 105, Sullivan, 15 to 1, won; His Brother, 105, Smith, 8 to 1, second; Serf, 105, Dunn, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:44..... Fifth race—Mile and twenty yards—C. C. Rumrill, 101, Gilmore, 30 to 1, won; Elsmere, 101, Sullivan, even, second; Tago, 97, Frost, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:45.....Sixth race—Seven furlongs—Elsie Barnes, 103, C. Clay, 6 to 1, won; Nover, 108, Sullivan, 6 to 1, second; Miss Percy, 111, Snell, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:29.

March 25.—First race—One mile—The Monon, 107, Walker, 9 to 2, won; Tachus, 107, Dupee, 8 to 5, second; Tessie L, 92, Lines, 50 to 1, third. Time, 1:42½.....Second race—Six furlongs—Minnie Weldon, 110, Smith, 6 to 1, won; Ferryman 11, 102, Wilhite, 8 to 5, second; Nover, 107, C. Clay, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.....Third race—One mile—Dorothy III, 103, Barrett, 5 to 1, won; Mount Washington, 101, Dean, 4 to 1, second; Glenmoyne, 109, Scherrer, even, third. Time, 1:41 .....Fourth race—One and one-eighth miles, handicap—What Next, 110, Thompson, 2 to 1, won; Judge Steadman, 97, Dupee, 8 to 5, second; Robert Bonner, 104, Barrett, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:55..... Fifth race—Six furlongs—Aunt Bird, 97, Lines, 6 to 5, won; Blithetul, 102, Dupee, 6 to 1, second; Corelli, 107, Barrett, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:14½.....Sixth race—Seven furlongs—Henrica, 101, Southard, 7 to 1, won; Hats Off, 103, Dupee, 2 to 1, second; Hurns, 106, Barrett, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:28.

March 26.—First race—Seven furlongs—Carrie Lyle, 122, Dupee, 2 to 1, won; Corelli, 105, Barrett, 7 to 2, second; Quinoor, 113, Wilhite, 7 to 2, third. Time, 1:29..... Second race—Four furlongs—Frank Bell, 107, Gilmore, 25 to 1, won; Mouzeltoff, 107, C. Clay, 12 to 5, second; Romany Rawny, 107, Barrett, 5 to 1, third. Time, 0:50, ...Third race—One and one-sixteenth mile—Blacking Brush, 102, Sullivan, 7 to 1, won; Pete Kitchen, 109, Lynch, 7 to 5, second; Royal Choice, 112, Barrett, 7 to 5, third. Time, 1:49.....Fourth race—Six furlongs, handicap—Fervor, 105, Gilmore, 4 to 1, won; Pat Morrissey, 103, Barrett, 9 to 5 second; Brighton, 102, Dupee, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.....Fifth race—One and a quarter miles—Bagpipe, 106, Hellerman, 10 to 1, won; Billy McKinzie, 108, Snell, 25 to 1, second; Mellie, 100, Southard, 20 to 1, third. Time, 2:10.....Sixth race—One and one-sixteenth miles—Jim Hogg, 109, Scherrer, 11 to 5, won; Fred Barr, 109, P. Clay, 4 to 1, second; His Brother, 104, Smith, 7 to 2, third. Time, 1:49¾.

March 28.—First race—Six furlongs—Annie Cook, 98, Lines, 15 to 1, won; Scornful, 105, Gilmore, 16 to 5, second; Surveyor, 105, Barrett, 16 to 5, third. Time, 1:18..... Second race—Seven furlongs—Tole Simmons, 101, Barrett, 7 to 10, won; Russella, 110, Frost, 12 to 1, second; Wrangling Duchess, 100, Thompson, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:32½.....Third race—One mile—A, B, C, 112, Snell, 5 to 2, won; Robert Bonner, 107, Barrett, 7 to 5, second; Dorothy III, 105, Sullivan, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:46½..... Fourth race—Seven furlongs, handicap—Fervor, 104, Gilmore, even, won; Bramble, 90, C. Clay, 12 to 1, second; What Next, 115, Thompson, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:30¾. .....Fifth race—One mile and a sixteenth—Hurns, 103, Barrett, 4 to 1, won; Lily Fry, 101, Southard, 4 to 1, second; Elyria, 102, Lynch, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:52¾..... Sixth race—One mile and a sixteenth—Col. Gay, 100, Dupee, 11 to 5, won; Dawn, 95, Holden, 6 to 1, second; Leaseman, 104, Guiteres, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:53.

The Crescent City Jockey Club

Brought its annual meeting to a close March 23, the feature of the concluding card being the running of the Crescent City Derby, worth $3,000 to the winner, Presbyterian, which covered the mile and an eighth in 1:55¼. The second, third and fourth horses divided $1,200. We append a summary of the closing day of the meet:

March 22.—First race—Six and a half furlongs—Lady Ellersli, 107, Barrett, 9 to 5, won; Tachus, 102, Dupee, 3 to 1, second; The Moxos, 104, Walker, 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:22¼.....Second race—One mile—Oninoor, 110, Barrett, 10 to 1, won; Tole Simmons, 107, C. Clay, 3 to 2, second; Blithetul, 100, Burns, 9 to 1, third. Time, 1:42¼. .....Third race—Six furlongs—Meddler, 101, Dupee, 3 to 1, won; Glenmoyne, 107, Burns, even, second; Dave S., 104, C. Clay, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.....Fourth race—One mile, handicap—Elkin, 99, Southard, 3 to 1, won; What Next, 110, Thompson, 3 to 1, second; Judge Steadman, 97, Burns, 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:42.....Fifth race—One and one eighth miles—Pete Kitchen, 107, Lynch, 7 to 1, won; Dorothy Third, 105, Burns, 11 to 5, second; Bizarre, 103, Lines, 50 to 1, third. Time, 1:55.....Sixth race—One mile—Lulu Fry, 104, P. Clay, 8 to 1, won; Nero, 106, Healey, 30 to 1, second; Kallitan, 105, Beauchamp, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:42¾.

March 23.—First race—Seven furlong—Lillian E., 97, Dupee, 3 to 1, won; Gold Corn, 97, C. Clay, 5 to 2, second; Evaline, 105, Walker, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:28¼.....Second race—One mile—Jack Hayes, 115, Scherrer, 4 to 1, won; Galgo, 115, Knapp, 3 to 1, second; Swift, 124, Overton, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:43¾.....Third race—One mile and a quarter—Mitt Boykin, 102, Barrett, 4 to 1, won; Elyria, 110, Dupee, even, second; Rockwood, 105, Sullivan, 3 to 1, third. Time, 2:09.....Fourth race—Derby, one mile and an eighth—Presbyterian, 119, Burns, 9 to 10, won; Joe Shelby, 115, Sullivan, 8 to 1, second; Dinsmore, 115, Barrett, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:55¼.....Fifth race—One mile—Headlight, 129, Burns, 1 to 2, won; Bob White, 122, Gilmore, 15 to 1, second; Alamo, 132, Gatewood, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:43..... Sixth race—Six and a half furlongs—First Ward, 113, Sullivan, 5 to 1, won; Henrica, 105, Southard, 2 to 1, second; Elsie Bramble, 94, C. Clay, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:21½.

St. Louis' Big Stake Race.

The weights for the Inaugural Handicap, for three year olds and up, one mile, to be run May 14, are as follow:

Satsuma, 120; Meadowthorpe, 119; Boanerges, 117; Dr. Sheppard, time maker, 115; Macy, 114; Dunois, Algol, 113; Dr. Walmsley, 112; Ulysses, 108; Harry Duke, Buck Widdre, 107; Skate, Greyhurst, the Elector, Counter Tenor, Count of Flanders, 106; Presbyterian, 107; Laureate, 105; Dare II, 101; Command, Fervor, Eva Rice, 100; Flora Louise, What 'er Lou, Gibraltar, Fireside, Trullo, Forbush, 97; Eithiolin, 96; the Professor, Judge Steadman, 95; Basquil, Belle of Memphis, Walkenshaw, Ed Farrell, 94; Our Chance, Lady Hamilton, 92; Lizzie, Cavalier, Whirlaway, 90; Searina, 88; Albert C., 85.

A. SMITH MCCANN died March 28, a pauper in a charity ward of a local hospital at Lexington, Ky. He was fifty-three years old, and was once the owner of the great trotting sire, Red Wilkes. He inherited a fortune, bought Red Wilkes, and contracted to pay $105,000 for Fairlawn, the home of the late Gen. W. T. Withers. Luxurious living destroyed his mental faculties and sent him to a sanitarium.

HARRY WISE, son of the ex-Collector of the Port, was on March 24, at San Francisco, Cal., ruled off all Pacific coast tracks for the alleged running of an Eastern mare named Mary Nance, taken to California from St. Louis, Mo., by Al. Gooden under the name of Los Rozas, as a maiden two year old. She started at Oakland in a race on March 11 and won. Wise has had a large string of horses on Montana and California circuits.

THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP, marking the opening of the English racing season, was won at Lincoln, Eng., March 22, by W. M. Clark's Barcaldine, High Treasurer second, Ravensdale third.

EATON JACKET dropped dead in the third race at New Orleans, La., March 22.

THE INTERCOLLEGIATE SHOOTING ASSOCIATION was organized in this city March 25, by representatives of Columbia, Yale, Harvard, Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania, who met pursuant to call. The following officers were chosen for one year: President, Horace F. Lunt, Harvard; first vice president, T. R. Coffin, Columbia; second vice president, H. S. Paine, Princeton; secretary, Oglesby Paul, University of Pennsylvania; treasurer, C. B. Spears, Yale. It was decided to hold two shoots a year for association and individual prizes, the first to take place on May 7, at New Haven, Ct., and the second at some future date, to be hereafter fixed.

THE LAST of a series of nine shoots for the Spreenger Trophy, emblematic of the championship of Lancaster County, came off at McGrann's Park, Lancaster, Pa., March 25, and William Fieles, who fulfilled the conditions by winning three straight shoots, won the trophy; scoring twenty straight kills; Chas. Ryder second, 19; John Krueger third, 17; C. Galbraith fourth, 16.

UNKIND.

ELDERLY ADMIRER—It is foolish to be proud of it, perhaps, Miss Amanda, but I was born in Boston, within a few blocks of the house where Benjamin Franklin was born.

MISS QUICKSTEP—How very interesting! You were boys together, I dare say!—*Chicago Tribune.*

DIFFICULT OF ACCESS.

"She is very frigid in her manner," remarked Willie Wishington.

"Perhaps," was the reply; "but she has a heart of gold."

"So I have been informed. But I am tired of trying to cross a conversational Chilkoot Pass in order to reach it."—*Washington Star.*

Theatrical.

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NEW JERSEY.

Newark.—Julia Marlowe presented "The Countess Valeska," for the first time in Newark, Monday night, March 28, at the Newark Theatre, before a large audience, who appreciated the work. The bill will not be changed throughout the week. Augustin Daly's Co. played to moderate business last week. The Russell-Fox-De Angelis combination, in "The Wedding Day," is booked for April 4 and week.

JACOBS'.—"A Guilty Mother" will appeal strongly to the patrons of this house this week. It has not been seen here before, and drew a good house Monday night, March 28. The public were determined to see and hear Andrew Mack last week, and the theatre was entirely filled at every performance. This was his second appearance in Newark this season. Elita Proctor Otis, in "Oliver Twist," will be here next week.

WALDMANN'S.—Robie's Bohemian Burlesquers began the present week with a good house Monday night, 28. The company contains a number of people well known here and they will receive good attention. The Twentieth Century Maids were effective in drawing good houses last week, and especially so was Mr. Morris, in his character of "Slang Valley." Irwin Bros.' Show will return here next week.

COLUMBIA.—The ever potent "Uncle Tom's Cabin" (Martin's) will occupy the stage this week. It opened to a good house Monday night, 28. Go-Won-Go Mohawk proved as interesting as ever last week, and played to satisfactory business. "Peck's Bad Boy" will visit here next week.

TRILBY NICKELODEON.—There is little abatement in the attractiveness of this house. This week: Chas. Killingbeck, club

the patronage. James Neary, Francis Marie Doyle, Chas. Buckley, De Barr, Vivian Russell, Kitty Melville, Josie Bright and the Brownhill Dramatic Co., in "Outwitted."

FACTS.—Prof. John F. Langer, a musician, died at Providence Hospital, this city, 21, after a three days' illness with pneumonia, and was buried in Calvary Cemetery, 24. He had been connected with almost all the amateur theatricals and musical productions given in this city for the past ten years, and was also leader of the Langer and Luben Band.....H. E. Powell, manager of the Fort Wrangle Opera House, leaves 26 with a full company for his new house.....The members of the "Miss Philadelphia" Co., who were left here stranded, with a few exceptions, left for their homes in the East 25, after their benefit at the Seattle Theatre, which netted them over $700.....The Bootblack Quartet and the Collins Sisters will play dates on the circuit of the Puget Sound Theatrical Agency.

Spokane.—The annual benefit of the local lodge of Elks took place at the Auditorium March 18, a continuous performance being given from 2.30 to 11 P. M. All the vaudeville talent in the city volunteered. The S. R. O. sign was out from the opening to the close of the performance. "A Texas Steer" comes April 8, 9, "Old Innocence" 11, 12.

COEUR D'ALENE.—The new faces 21 are: Ida Clayton, Borgna and Mazella, F. C. Smith, Kelly and Violette, Robzart and Sadie Fairfield. Good business rules.

COMIQUE.—Opening this week are: Harry Budworth, Nellie Brimmer, Helen Reynolds Starkey and Rathbun. The house is doing a good business.

ALABAMA.

Mobile.—The season here is about at an end, and very few more companies will visit us this season. At the Mobile Theatre, March 21, "The Girl from Paris" came, to a large and delighted audience. "The Prodgal Father," 22, 23, came to good business. Coming: George W. Monroe, in "A Happy Little Home," is due 28.

NOTES.—Gilbert & Showers' Circus had a good week here 21-26.....The opera of "Fra Diavolo," by local talent, for the benefit of the military, will be produced at the Mobile Theatre shortly after Easter.....Manager Tannenbaum will be given the preference as to the management of the new opera house we are to have next season.....Monroe Park, our Summer resort, will soon be in readiness for the Summer season, and several out door, as well as theatrical attractions, have already been engaged.....The T. W. Basye & Co Animal Show was attached in Montgomery, Ala., last Wednesday. It seems that Edward Nigard, one of the musicians, demanded back salary last Monday, which amounted to $60, and when he called for it, it is said, it was understood that a white man was to knock him down, and then a negro, William Stephenson, was to jump in and finish the job. Nigard was pretty badly used up at the hands of the negro. Both men were arrested and their cases continued until March 28. Nigard employed attorneys, and attachment papers were served, the constables seizing everything but the boa constrictor.....Mobile Lodge, No. 108, B. P. O. Elks, reorganized in Mobile, Ala., March 25, after being disbanded for two years. A large number of the old members were present and their names enlisted on the roll of the new lodge. The election and installation of the officers took place the same afternoon, which resulted as follows: F. E. Tutwiler, E R.; T. O. Goodbrad, E. L. K.; Richard Hines, Jr., E. L. K.; V. M. Byrnes, E. L. K.; A. B. Kennedy, sec.; J. L. Taylor, treas.; E. L. Taylor, tiler; J. W. Scheible, W. W. Clarke and B. Luscher, trustees. After the installation the members were invited to partake of a lunch. At night several new members were initiated and a social session was held. Members from Birmingham lodge came to be present at the ceremonies. The lodge starts with good material, and it is hoped that it will soon be in its old time form.

Birmingham.—James A. Young, with a good company, gave excellent satisfaction at three performances, to only moderate audiences, March 23 24. "The Girl from Paris," 24, played a return date, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience, although the lines were rather broad. The bookings are: Brann, of *The Iconoclast*, April 12; "A Night Off" 16.....Sipe & Blake's Dog and Pony Show will be here April 1, 2.

Selma.—At the Academy of Music George W. Monroe, in "A Happy Little Home," is due March 29.....Harris' Nickel Plate Circus is billing the city for two performances April 7, 8.

NEBRASKA.

Omaha.—At Boyd's Theatre the Bostonians appear March 28, 29. "Miss Francis of Yale" will play a return engagement 30. The Hungarian Boys' Military Band appeared to rather small but very appreciative audiences, 20-23. Cook's Comedians presented "Our Flat" to good business 25-26. "A Hired Girl" did good business 27.

CREIGHTON THEATRE.—The Woodward Stock Company presented "The Charity Ball" the past week to large audiences. Next week "The Fatal Card" will be presented. The specialties will be Charles Wayne, Annie Caldwell, and Matthews and Harris.

NEWARK MUSIC HALL.—Week of March 28: Daisy Brooks, May Cameron, Della Boyd, Nae Dayton, Rena Pearl, Theo. Largess, Nae Vernon, Aida Armour, Dot Darlington, Pearl Stanton, Ford Sanford, Perry Sisters, Emily Hayes, Frankie Knight and stock. Business good.

NOTES.—Wilson Enos, late of the Frawley Company, has been engaged as stage manager for the Woodward Stock Company.....Chas. E. Blaney will next season establish an office in Omaha, with H. A. Wickham as general manager for all territory West of the Missouri River. All business for the Blaney shows East of Omaha will be done by Clay T. Vance, from the New York office. .....Harry Hardy, in advance of "Shore Acres," was in the city this week.....Vernon and Armour, at the Nebraska, have made a big hit this week in Monroe H. Rosenfeld's song, "Uncle Sam, Why are You Waiting."

Lincoln.—At the Oliver Theatre "A Gay Matinee Girl" was presented March 14, to fair business.....Cook's Comedians presented "Our Flat," to a small but appreciative audience, 24. Roland Reed comes 28. "Miss Frances of Yale" 29, Primrose & West's Minstrels April 9, "Devil's Auction" 14. The Lincoln School of Oratory will present "Othello," with the assistance of local talent, 15.

FUNKE OPERA HOUSE.—Fitz & Webster's "A Breezy Time" came March 17, to a light house. "Shore Acres" drew large audiences to three performances 25, 26. The Lawrence Holmes Dramatic Co., in standard plays at popular prices, is booked for week of 28. Lincoln Carter's "Under the Dome" comes April 8, the last Philharmonic Orchestra Concert for this season 12, John Dillon 14, Burk's "U. T. C." Co. 16.

NOTES.—Manager Zehrung spent a few days in town looking after his interests here. He reports satisfactory business at his Peoria house, which he manages personally.....Caroline Franklin rejoined "Shore Acres" after an absence of a few weeks at Des Moines, Ia., and resumed her old part as Helen Berry at Sioux City 22.....Carlton King rejoined the Calhoun Opera Co. at Marshaltown, Ia., 17. Carlotta Gilman is singing prima donna roles.

Fremont.—At the Love "A Breezy Time" Co. did fair business March 15. The Spooner Dramatic Co. have been playing to fair houses 21-26. John Dillon comes April 16.

WISCONSIN.

Milwaukee.—At the Davidson Theatre the Baggetto Italian Grand Opera Co. opened to light business last week, which gradually improved, and finished strongly. The house will be dark March 27-April 3. Fanny Davenport, in repertory, is due 4-6.

BIJOU OPERA HOUSE.—"The Curse of Gold" drew only fair houses last week. "Gayest Manhattan" opens March 27, for week. Calhoun Opera Co., in repertory, next week.

ALHAMBRA THEATRE.—An evenly balanced specialty company succeeded in pleasing large houses last week. Kurtz and Joe Welsh met with especial favor. Commencing March 27, and for the week, the Star Specialty Co., embracing the following people: Mlle. Aimee, Elinore Sisters, the McAvoys, Apollo, Carlin and Clark, Sisters Putnum, Brothers Herne, and the biograph, presenting views of the ill fated battleship Maine.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—This house remains dark.

PABST THEATRE.—The Damrosch-Ellis Grand Opera Co. presented "Siegfried" 20, to a very large audience. The German stock gave "Veil Laerin um Michts" ("Much Ado About Nothing"), 23, to a good house, which was most enthusiastic. For nights of 27 and April 3 the new burlesque, "Ein Wielde Sache" ("A Wild Affair"), will be produced. Night of 30, "Odette."

NICKELODEON.—The change in location has had no perceptible effect on the attendance, as large business still continues. For week of 28—Curio hall: Lewis, musical hearted man; Dollie Dimple, tattoed woman; Tamarack Joe, Yankee whittler; Paul La Verne, contortionist; Hold, one man band; Martin High, palmist, and Alcnzo, magician. Theatre: James E. Black, Runeley Sisters, Murphy and Hall, Sadie Buskirk and the Malcolms.

NOTES.—Arrangements have been completed by the Davidson Theatre management for the appearance at that house of the Salisbury Stock Co., which will give a repertory of standard plays at popular prices, commencing May 1, and for the Summer. By special agreement with Daniel and Charles Frohman plays like "Held By the Enemy," "Shenandoah," "The Wife," "Sweet Lavender," etc., will be produced. Managers Brown and Dean, of the Davidson Theatre, will have special scenery painted for the engagement, and the plays will be mounted as well as for a traveling company. This stock has recently completed a twelve weeks' engagement at the Bastable Theatre, Syracuse, N. Y.....Business Manager Dean, of the Davidson, leaves about April 10, for a trip to New Mexico, Alaska and Klondike. He will return some time in the early Fall.....David Lee, of Arizona, who does an impalement act at the Nickelodeon, was married March 24 to Mollie Casey, of this city, on the stage of that house, a large crowd witnessing the event.

MICHIGAN.

Grand Rapids.—At Powers' Opera House "Never Again," March 22, played to S. R. O. Hi Henry's Minstrels, 23, 25, played to crowded houses. The house remains dark until April 1, when Walter Rutledge comes for two nights.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—"The Waifs of New York," 21-23, and the Rays, 24-26, in "A Hot Old Time," played to the capacity of the house. Coming: 28-30, "Chimmie Fadden;" the Rossow Midget Specialty Co. 31-April 2.

SMITH'S OPERA HOUSE.—Week of March 28: Brunswick Quartet, Fay and Owens, Bentham and Byers, Purcell and Maynard, the Houdinis and Chapin and Sulky.

Kalamazoo.—At the Academy of Music "Never Again" played to large business March 21. Hi Henry's Minstrels had a crowded house 24. Katie Emmett, in "The Waifs of New York," is due 26. "The Gelsha" comes April 4.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—Madame De Souza lectures March 28, 29. Riess & North's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" April 12.

Saginaw.—At the Academy of Music the Scalchi Concert Co. drew a good house March 24, at advanced prices. "Never Again" pleased a large audience 25. Katie Emmett comes 29, "The Dazzler" 30.

Lansing.—At Laird's Opera House Nathoo, the Hindoo came, March 22, to poor house. Katie Emmett in "The Waifs of New York," had a top heavy house 25. "The Dazzler" comes April 1, Japanese Musical Comedy 6.

Jackson.—At Wonderland, for week of March 28: Laclede and Raymond, Ford and Da Vern, Mack and Elliott, and Edward F. Reynard. Business continues big.

Miscellaneous.

PAWNEE BILL'S WILD WEST NOTES.—We will go out this year enlarged bigger than ever before, and Gordon W. Lillie (Pawnee Bill) will give the best Wild West exhibition ever given under his management. He is now hard at work, and has some great things in store for the amusement loving public this season. The show is in Winter quarters at Frederick, Md., and everything is being rebuilt. New cars, canvases and wagons are being built. The show will have three hundred and fifty people with show and forty-five people in advance. Eighteen cars will be used to transport show and two in advance. There will be three hundred head of stock.

ERNEST COOKE has been engaged to represent W. W. Cole with Buffalo Bill's Wild West on the road. Mr. Cooke has been in the West for some years.

WALLACE ROSS and his company of aquatic experts have closed a two weeks' engagement at the New England Sportsmen's Show, Boston. Paul Tustin's high diving and back somersaulting was a hit, also Alf. Ridout, in his Monte Cristo sack feats, exhibition on the water shoes and Boyton suit, the fat policeman, etc. Mr. Ross has been re-engaged to produce a larger show next year for the Sportsmen's Exhibition. Diver Paul opens with the Porepaugh-Sells Show for the season.

MANNING AND EMERY and Belle Mandeville write to THE CLIPPER as follows: "We were with Dr. Blue Mountain Joe's Vaudeville Show, and got our salaries paid in full. We left to join the Teets Bros.' Tent Show, and are now working for our own show. We did not authorize anyone to state that we were not with Blue Mountain's Show, but it was done out of spite. We wish Dr. Blue Mountain Joe success, and the same to all the people connected with the show."

NOTES FROM J. AUGUSTUS JONES' TEN AND TWENTY CENT SHOWS.—Everything is now in ship shape for the opening, April 23. The outfit will be all new. Big top, 80ft., with two 30ft. middles; dressing top, 40x60; side show top, 35x70. People: Harry Bubb, Earnest Hickok, Mack Evans, Frank Shepard, Will C. Lane, Nellie E. Leonard, Mons. Cadieux, the Three Grant Bros., Prof. Gothend, H. L. Dean, C. V. Dean, Oscar F. Johns, Ben Waddell, Mattie Mora, Marion Morris, Chas. James, Bert Wilson, Carrie Madden, Sig. Zola and wife.

AERONAUT LEO STEVENS has contracted with the Pain's Fireworks Co., of this city, for several balloon ascensions in Texas during the month of April.

W. P. MCNAIR, trombone soloist, who has been at Dana's Musical Institute, Warren, O., for the past five months, joins Price's Floating Opera.

FRENCH'S SENSATION, No. 1, closed a successful season at Franklin, La., March 11.

HILL AND HILL state that they left Blue Mountain Joe's Medicine Co. on account of unpaid salaries.

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWS.—Kickapoo Medicine Co., No. 16, is now touring Eastern Connecticut to good business. Roster: The Andersons (Bert. and Bessie); Prof. F. E. Peak, magician; Fred Lau, all around comedian; Jas. H. Carr, pianist and vocalist. Dr. Chas. Boyd, manager, was superseded by Dr. Chas. Burgess. Dr. Boyd opens a new company in Otsego County, N. Y., this week, with Jim E. Henry and wife, Lew Dale, John Ferguson, Geo. Lawrence and two Indians.....Roster Oka Squaw Indian Medicine Co.: Joe White Cloud, manager and lecturer; J. H. Sweeny, black face comedian; F. H. Bloom, 1st an l banjo player; White Cloud, Arori, Mary Bright Eye. We are all happy and well, and get the OLD RELIABLE regularly.....The Howard Curtis Electric Belt Co. have been in Kansas and Nebraska thirty-six weeks, doing a good business. Billy Terrell left for his home at Moberly, Mo., on March 18, a very sick man. Billy Allen joined at Bruning, Neb. Dr. Howard Curtis was married at Waterville, Kan. John V. Moore, our black face comedian, is to be married to a young lady of Chester, Neb., in the near future.....Roster of the Dr. H. Neafie X Ray Concert Co.: Prof. D. E. Patterson and Dr. H. Neafie, proprietors; Chas. H. Russell, lecturer and manager; John Baldwin, Dutch comedian; Coddie Johnson, black face comedian and buck dancer; Prof. John Geiger, musical director and trick violinist; Jess Cass, ballad singer; Pat Rally, Irish comedian; Mrs. Dr. Neafie, Mrs. Prof. Patterson, Grace Longing and Mrs. Angie Russell. We are turning them away. We travel in our own special car, Bess. All are well, and THE CLIPPER and man in white come at the appointed time..... Roster Camelia Oil Medicine Co. No. 1, now touring Wisconsin: Dr. M. N. La Vere, owner and manager; John A. Duncan, Swede and Irish comedian; Chas. C. Hughes, black face comedy, banjoist and musical comedian; Lewis Weber, German dialect comedian and ballad singer. Business is good.....Roster of Panama Medicine Company, No. 1: Dr. J. M. Condon, proprietor and office worker; John P. Cunningham, stage manager, Irish, Dutch and eccentric comedian; the Barnetts, Paul and Allie, sketch team. We have not closed for the past two years and are doing big business.....Panama Medicine Company, No. 3: J. M. Condon, M. D., proprietor; Dr. Jules Delmar, Mexican specialist, hypnotist, etc.; the Collins, Frank and Rose, sketch team; Art Benoir, black face, Irish and Dutch comedian. Dr. Delmar's great mind reading test, driving a spirited team, blindfolded, through the streets, is the talk of every town.

DEATHS IN THE PROFESSION.

RUNI KAS SAN, a Japanese acrobat, better known as "Little Chrysanthemum," died March 21, at her home in this city, from meningitis. The deceased, who was still in her teens, was considered one of the best female acrobats in the profession. She was born in the village of Siki, Japan, and as her father and mother were acrobats she, of course, became one. She finally joined a troupe and traveled through Japan. The company became famous and their ability was recognized by the Mikado, who commanded them to appear before him. About two years ago she came to this country and soon became a favorite here. Her stage name was given her because her stage dress was always decorated with silver chrysanthemums. Her two brothers took charge of the remains, which were interred 23, in the Lutheran Cemetery, the funeral ceremonies having been conducted in accordance with the customs of the country of the deceased.

JOSEPH BRADY, a variety performer, died last week at High Bridge, N. J., from heart disease.

VINCENT D. HUDSON, stage manager of the Eleventh Avenue Opera House, Altoona, Pa., died March 24, at the City Hospital, that city. The deceased, who was thirty-six years of age, was at one time a member of the Henshaw-Ten Broeck Co. He had been stage manager at the Eleventh Avenue Opera House for the last six years.

TOM LAW, a bass singer, died at Philadelphia, Pa., March 21. The deceased was a native of Bradford, Eng., in which country he sang in various churches and minstrel companies. He came to this country in 1881, with Hague's Operatic Minstrels, with whom he sang for a number of seasons. He afterward joined Denman Thompson's "Old Homestead" Co., forming one of the quartet. He remained with this company for seven years. He then abandoned the stage to accept an engagement as leading bass at St. Mark's P. E. Church, Philadelphia. He suffered from a complication of diseases, causing heart failure, which was the immediate cause of his death. His funeral occurred 24, and was under the auspices of the Sons of St. George, of which he was a member.

DANNY CRELAN, a vaudeville performer, died in Spokane, Wash., March 16, from consumption. The deceased was thirty-two years of age and was a native of Detroit, Mich. The remains were interred under the combined auspices of the Elks and Foresters.

GEORGE ELLSWORTH HOLMES, baritone singer, died March 25, at the home of his brother in Hoosick Falls, Mass., from Bright's disease. Mr. Holmes was born Nov. 11, 1864, in Lawrenceville, N. Y., and at an early age gave evidence of being a good singer. In 1887-88 he was a member of the Boston Ideals. He then became a church singer, and for several years was engaged at churches in Chicago, Ill. He made his debut in England in February, 1896, at St. James' Hall, with the London Symphony Orchestra, and sang in many concerts with all the leading orchestras of England. In April of the same year he sang in opera at Covent Garden, London. He sang in Glasgow and Edinburgh with the Scottish Orchestra, and filled other engagements in Scotland and Wales, singing at the Cardiff musical festival and in Paris at the Trocadero. Mr. Holmes is survived by his father, who lives at Austin, Minn., and three brothers. The remains will be taken to Lansing, Minn., on Saturday, for interment by the side of his mother.

FRANK C. DURELL, in private life known as Otto C. Dickman, died at the Central Insane Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind., March 25, from apoplexy, aged thirty-nine years. He was a member of the team of Durell Twin Bros., Edward and Frank, and made his first appearance on any stage at the Croner Garden Theatre, Indianapolis, in August, 1874, with Ed. Varney, in a brother act. In September, 1876, the team, Durell Twin Brothers, made their first appearance at Fannie Beane's benefit, at the Metropolitan Theatre, Indianapolis, in an acrobatic song and dance specialty, their act being so well done that there was a doubt as to their being amateurs. They attracted the attention of Wm. H. Snyder, an actor, who took them in hand, and made many engagements for them. Their first professional engagement was at the Grand Opera House, Indianapolis, in September, 1876, with Goodridge & Lipman's Vaudeville Co. That year they played in many of the old time vaudeville houses, viz.: the old National Theatre Comique, Cincinnati, O.; Trimble's Varieties, Pittsburg, Pa.; Fox's American Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tony Pastor's, on Broadwey, New York, and others. They played successfully in all the leading vaudeville houses during 1876-78. In '79 they traveled with W. W. Cole's Circus as acrobats, leapers and bar performers. In 1880 they joined Sells Bros.' Circus, in connection with Louis F. Sunlin. In 1881 they played the vaudeville houses in the East. In '82 the team of Durell Twin Bros. traveled with Pat Rooney's New York Star Specialty Company. In 1883 and '84 they were with the "Two Johns" Comedy Company. They have appeared with Eddie Foy, Bernard & Pringle's Pleasure Co., and Murphy & Mack. In 1885 they started West, and opened at the Gem Theatre, Deadwood, Dak., in December, for three months, under Harry Montague. They worked their way to the Pacific coast, and opened at the Wigwam Theatre, San Francisco, Cal., in March, 1886, where their white face acrobatic comedy act created a sensation. They played in San Francisco over a year. In 1887 Cort's Puget Sound circuit was formed. They accepted sixteen weeks on the circuit, and remained on the circuit for five years. In 1892 they came East and joined the Fay Foster Co., under the management of Joe Oppenheimer. The following season they were with Sam T. Jack's "Forty Thieves" Co., and later with Hyde's Comedians. In 1895 Frank's eyesight began to fail, and American oculists pronounced it optic atrophy, and recommended the Kneipp cure in Noreshofen, Bavaria, Germany. In 1896 he went to Germany and took the cure. He stood the cure seven months. It exhausted him completely, and he came home a wreck and mentally deranged. In July, 1897, he entered a private sanitarium at Oxford, O., where he remained until March 18, 1898, when he was taken home to Indianapolis and placed in the Central Hospital for the insane. He leaves a mother and his twin brother, who was his life long companion. His father, Frederick Dickman, a pioneer of Indianapolis, died three weeks previously, aged eighty years and seven months, and left the family a fortune of $100,000. The deceased, who was in the prime of life, had many excellent qualities. He was highly educated, had studied bookkeeping, banking, telegraphy, was a Shakespearean scholar and had studied law. Mr. Durell and his brother amassed a fortune during their career on the stage. They own much real estate and mining stocks in the West. The remains will be interred in the German Lutheran Cemetery.

WILLIAM C. WANNER, who was known as the privilege man of the Holliday Street Theatre, Baltimore, Md., died in that city March 23. His death was due to pneumonia. He was born in Baltimore, March 3, 1868, and was connected with the show business since his early youth. At times he controlled the Old Front Street, Forepaugh Temple, Monumental, Holliday Street, Howard Auditorium, Odeon Theatre privileges, and was known and well liked by thousands of Baltimore theatregoers. His body was interred in Baltimore Cemetery 25, beside the remains of his mother, which was his last request. The attaches of the Monumental Theatre sent a broken column of natural flowers; the Holliday Street sent a huge anchor and broken chain, while the boys with whom he worked sent a mammoth design of the gates ajar. He was buried from the residence of his brother, Fred E. Wanner.

LOU (LORENZO) DUCLOS, a variety performer, died at his mother's home in Montreal, Can., March 23, from stomach trouble. The deceased was thirty five years old, and had been in the profession for a number of years. Eight or ten years ago he was of the team of Thompson and Duclos. They played very successful engagements with Barlow Bros.' Minstrels, and also played dates. They were together for several years. During their trip South, in 1893, Mr. Duclos met May Walters, and they were married in Nashville, Tenn. From that time Mr. Duclos branched out as a manager, and managed successfully A. Y. Pearson's Stock Co., A. Y. Pearson's "Midnight Alarm" Co., "The Police Patrol" and others. During the present season he was manager of Al. Martin's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Co., a position he held up to the time of his death. His wife survives him.

MRS. NELSON KNEASS, an old and well known actress, died suddenly March 23, at the Deaconess Hospital, Dayton, O. The deceased, who was the widow of Nelson Kneass, the minstrel, who first sang "Ben Bolt," had been in the profession for a number of years, and had been connected with some of the leading companies. For several years she had been a member of Lewis Morrison's Co., and her last appearance was made March 14, as Martha, in "Faust." She leaves a son, Charles, and daughter, Mrs. J. N Rentfrow. The remains were interred temporarily in Woodland Cemetery, Dayton, where they will rest for a year, when they will be removed to Chillicothe, Mo., to be placed beside the remains of her husband.

LAURA BOOTH, a member of "The Foundling" Co., was found dead in bed at a hotel in this city, March 28, death having resulted from a bullet wound in her head. It is not known that she committed suicide, and an investigation is now under way. She was the wife of Manager James S. Lee, of the company, who was the last person with whom she was seen alive. She is said to have been a native of Holyoke, Mass., where she was divorced from a former husband, and her stage career is not believed to have been very long or varied.

ANTON SEIDL, the famous musician and conductor, died suddenly in this city March 28, of what is supposed to have been an irritant poison, caused by his having eaten too heartily of shad roe. He was born in Pesth, Hungary, of German parents, May 7, 1850, and began his musical career in his native city. His musical studies took him to the Leipzig Conservatory, from which he graduated early in the Autumn of 1870 and took up his professional career as chorus master at the Vienna Opera House. In 1872 Wagner, the famous composer, offered him a position as private secretary, which he accepted, this act laying the foundation for his future career and fame as a conductor of Wagnerian music. In this position he remained seven years, receiving instruction and training from the old master in person. He spent some time as an accompanist in the opera at Vienna, going thence to Leipsic, to take his first position as conductor of opera. Here he remained for three years, and at the termination of this engagement he visited Germany, Belgium, Holland, Italy and Austria in the capacity of director, under the management of Angelo Niemann. It was under this distinguished impressario that he visited London in 1881, conducting opera at Her Majesty's Theatre, and in 1882 at Belgium, Wagner being present at both places. Herr Seidl afterward became the director of the Opera House at Bremen, and there he married the gifted singer known in America as Mme. Seidl Kraus. He was thrown out of employment by the burning of the Opera House at Bremen, and in the Summer of 1885 Edmund C. Stanton and Walter Damrosch, going to Europe in search of a successor of the late Dr. Damrosch, found Herr Seidl ready to take up the task. On Nov. 23, of that year, the season of the Metropolitan Opera House was opened under his direction with a performance of "Lohengrin." The subsequent course of the Metropolitan Opera House, as an artistic institution, under his guidance, marks one of the most noteworthy periods in the history of American musical annals. He conducted the first performances in America of "Die Meistersinger," "Tristan und Isolde," "Siegfried," "Die Goetterdaemmerung" and "Das Rheingold." In July, 1888, he commenced the Brighton Beach concerts, which became so popular at Coney Island, and in September, 1890, inaugurated the promenade concerts at Madison Square Garden, and in Brooklyn a society was formed, known as the Seidl Society, which gave a number of subscription concerts. In the Winter of 1892 he inaugurated a series of successful Sunday night concerts and became the leader of the Philharmonic Society concerts. He conducted German opera at the Metropolitan Opera House until Messrs. Abbey & Grau leased the house, and when these managers arranged for a series of German opera performances, in 1895, he was engaged to conduct these. Under Mr. Grau's management he continued in this capacity, and he had been engaged for next season and the season following. At the time of his death subscriptions were being made for a permanent orchestra in this city, of which he was to be conductor.

TEXAS.

San Antonio.—The lease of the Grand Opera House at San Antonio, Tex., has been secured by Sidney Weis, of Galveston, Tex.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—For the week of March 20 the Grau Opera Co. played to good business: "The Girl I Left Behind Me" is due 27, 28, N. C. Goodwin 30, Weideman's Comedians April 1.

WASHINGTON THEATRE.—For week of March 21: Barnes and Elmo, Larry O'Connors, Etta Howard, Annie Milton, Lillie McKee, Fredie Bishop, Grace Howard, Macks Jack, Jennie Howard, Maud Harrison, Jennie Heyman, Mary Harrison and Trixie Revarie. Business good.

MANAGER SOUTER leaves for St. Louis, Memphis and Cincinnati April 10, for an entire new company.

Ft. Worth.—At Greenwall's Opera House Jules Grau's Opera Co. closed a week's engagement March 19. The receipts were not as large as the opening of the engagement promised. On the way: "The Girl I Left Bemind Me" 31, Nat C. Goodwin April 2.

STANDARD.—Business continues good. All people hold over except Albert and Baker, who closed 19. New arrivals: Kathenka Houston, Annie Lorraine and Lillie McKee.

HOLLAND'S.—Business good. Everybody retained from previous week. New faces: Joe Crotty, Bessie Lynn and Little Stella.

Sam Jones is underlined for a lecture at the City Hall (Lyceum Course).....The Boston Ideal Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club (Lyceum Course) will appear at the City Hall 26.....Morriss' Illusions, after a profitable stay, has departed for other fields.

Dallas.—At the Opera House "A Night Off," March 25 26 on account of very inclement weather had a poor attendance. "The Girl I Left Behind" comes April 1-2, Nat C. Goodwin 4.

CAMP STREET.—This week's people: Lyda Temple, Nellie Cook, Josie Duncan, Wilson and Loraine, Lulu Lawton, Joe Garrigan and Johnny Crowley. Business good.

PHOENIX HALL.—Mlle. Verlet Concert Co., under the auspices of the St. Cecilia Club, is due March 26, to an advance sale of the capacity of the house.

Galveston.—At the Grand Opera House Thos. F. Wiedemann's Co., at popular prices, in repertory, closed a week's engagement, to fair business. "The Girl I Left Behind Me" opened to a fairly good sized audience March 21.

NIEMEYER'S MASCOT THEATRE.—Week of 21, new faces: Frank Baldwin, Nettie Clinton and Ethel Russell. Business is good.

NEW PLAYS.

"What Dreams May Come,"

A four act drama, was presented for the first time on any stage at the Columbia Theatre, Washington, D. C., March 14. It was written by Paul Kester. The story related is that of the Countess Dimitri, a Russian noblewoman, married to Charles St. Clare, the private secretary of an English Prime Minister. For the sake of Russia the countess has stolen government papers which were in the custody of her husband, which leads to the latter's ruin and the separation of the couple. Following the separation a child is born to the countess and consigned to the care of its father by her relatives. St. Clare believes the boy to be the offspring of Count Gregoff, who was the Russian Ambassador to London, for whom the Countess Dimitri stole the papers. With this belief the father attempts to force the boy's own mother into killing him by exercising the peculiar mind power she possesses through being a Mahatma. She is doing this when she learns that the youth upon whom she is exercising the deadly influence is her own son, and, after revealing to St. Clare that he really the child's father, she [illegible] and dissipates the effects of her power. The following is the cast: The Countess Dimitri, Madame Janauschek; Count Gregoff, Joseph Whiting; Charles St. Clare, Edmund Collier; Chomondley O'Blake, Myron Calice; Roger Hazelton, John Blair; Lord Dalry, Frank Lyman; Gerard O'Blake, John Holland; Brooks, John Hepworth; Servant, Bertram Post; Mary O'Blake, Maud Banks; Kathleen O'Blake, Margaret De Wolfe; Melissa, Mabel Washburn.

"His Excellency,"

A four act comedy drama, by Edwin A. Davis, was presented for the first time on any stage March 17, at the Charlotte Opera House, Charlotte, N. C. The play deals with the usual domestic differences that result from a weak wife, an indifferent husband and a scheming villain. His Excellency, an effeminate Englishman of the Talbot Champneys type, posing as the hero, intercedes at the proper moment between the wayward wife and her would be betrayer. The climax is reached when His Excellency challenges the pseudo Spaniard to mortal combat and kills him. The plot is simple and the play only partly original, some of the lines being familiar. The cast: Baron Alison St. Geo. Sharlock, His Excellency, Edwin A. Davis; Francis Bell, Chas. A. McIrath; Larry Mulligan, Carr Bailey; Count De Jeuerette, alias Tomasso Paoli, Will Atkinson; Jane, Marion Sawtelle; Gertrude Montgomery, Jessie Atkinson, and Merriam Bell, Pearl Berry.

THE PRETTY GIRL MILKING HER COW.

(Colleen Dhas Cruidthe-Na-Mo.)

The dewdrops were gray on the clover,
The gray mists of night were withdrawn,
The blackbird sang clear from the cover,
The hills wore the rose of the dawn.
But sweeter than blackbirds and thrushes,
Her song, whom the graces endow,
And pinker than dawn her soft blushes,
The pretty girl milking her cow.

She sang, and the milk, sweet and scented,
Spurted white as the breast of my dear.
She sang, and the cow, grown contented,
Gave over her kicking to hear.
Oh, wildest of little black Kerries,
You will come at her call, I know how,
Since my heart at her voice leaps and scurries,
The pretty girl milking her cow.

As she sang I drew nearer each minute,
A captive in Love's rosy chain,
And my heart every second was in it;
Grew fuller of joy and of pain.
Till I cried out behind her: "My storeen,
Pray guess who is holding you now?"
And I felt the heart beats of my Noreen,
The pretty girl milking her cow.

I kissed her sweet eyelids to blind her,
I kissed her gold head like the silk,
The cow—who was going to bind her?—
With one kick kicked over the milk.
And then, growing bolder and bolder,
I kissed from the chin to the brow,
She was mine ere the day was much older,
The pretty girl milking her cow.

—Pall Mall Gazette.

A CONSULTATION.

BY M. KOSSAK.

"Can I see Dr. Henley?" I inquired of the porter who opened the door for me.

"I will go and ask," he replied, inviting me with a gesture into his lodge.

I followed his invitation, whereupon he turned the key in the lock behind me and hurried away.

An uncomfortable feeling seized me. So I was imprisoned here until the man returned and set me free. I could, indeed, go into the asylum park, if I wished, but beyond the high walls I could not get. In what haste people here were to lock the door behind one! Of course, I must consider in what house I was. The precautionary measures were certainly not calculated for me, but for the patients. How could I have prevented it if one of them came and wanted to get out? No matter, the situation was nevertheless uncomfortable.

Moreover, I did not have a long time to indulge in these reflections, for the porter was back already. Dr. Henley was, unfortunately, very busy for the present, he announced; I must be kind enough to wait about half an hour. At the expiration of this time, perhaps somewhat sooner, he would be at my service.

I reflected a moment. Half an hour was rather long, but what was I to do? As I had taken this commission on myself I was obliged to carry it out. I informed the porter of my resolution and let him lead me to one of the villas scattered through the park and in which the consultation room was to be found.

When alone, I looked about me and saw an elegant, cheerful room with high windows, before which the curtains were drawn together, an old fashioned stove with an agreeably crackling fire, many cushioned pieces of furniture, and a table full of albums and publications. Over it, in a glass bulb, burned an electric light.

I took up one book after the other, turned over a few of the leaves, and laid it down again. I was too tormented with impatience to be able to read. In fact, if I had to wait too long, the last evening train would meanwhile depart for London, and I would be compelled to pass the night in this dreary Yorkshire village.

Really, it was a strange idea of my friend to send me here to consult with the director of the asylum about his demented brother. That should have received his personal attention. But he had urgent business to look after, which admitted of no postponement. Still, I might have refused to comply with his request. If only I had not had this oppressive feeling, which would not release me since I tarried within the walls of the asylum. It seemed to me childish; however, it was the first time in my life that I had occasion to be in such a place. One must accustom himself to everything, you know. But I was glad that I saw nothing of the patients. They were well concealed in their villas in the back part of the park, and surely were not allowed to go out at that hour of the evening.

Notwithstanding that I held this before me for my pacification, I listened constantly for suspicious sounds—a cry, a shrill laugh.

There, what was that?

I started nervously.

Some one had opened the door behind me, and when I turned round, I saw standing in its frame a gentleman, who eyed me from head to foot. Probably the director himself.

"Have I the honor of addressing Dr. Henley?" I asked, springing up.

The new comer bowed, and motioned me to take a seat.

When both of us were seated—I heartily glad that my time of waiting had been shortened—he inquired after my desire.

I told him what had brought me to the asylum, and described to him the condition of my friend as well as I could; at the same time I observed him closely.

I had often heard, and also had made the observation myself, that alienists represented a peculiar type, but so strong a one as Dr. Henley had never yet struck me.

The slim, noiselessly moving figure, the brown head with the slightly stooping attitude, the pale skin, but above all, the expression of the dark, deeply shaded eyes, which reminded one of an animal tamer or magnetizer! One could well imagine that this man, by the power of his glances, was able to force the most refractory patients to obedience. Indeed it gave me inwardly every time a shock when he looked at me out of his gloomy eyes.

He let me finish speaking without interrupting me. When I was done he asked a few questions, which I answered to the best of my ability. So he inquired, among other things, whether the patient had a particular hereditary complaint.

"As far as I know, he has not," I replied.

He remained silent a while, reflecting.

"You have suffered lately a great deal from sleeplessness?" he queried, suddenly.

"Sure—sure enough," I stammered—"but—he nodded.

"Of course, I noticed it immediately. But why didn't you mention this important point before?"

"Why? Dear me, I was not speaking about myself, but about the brother of my friend, in whose name I consult you."

"Quite right!" He smiled with a superior air. "But I beg you, my worthy sir, have you really no misgiving as to who the sick man is, the one in question here?" he asked then.

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"What—what do you mean by that, Doctor?" I asked with difficulty. "I must request you to explain your preceding words."

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A second interruption occurred, more ominous than the first. The conductor had forced himself through the throng.

"Fares, please."

The woman with the baby paid.

"Fares, please."

This time to the five and thirty million dollarites, whose imposing figures had evidently not reached the ears of the conductor. He held out his hand. His two passengers kept both theirs running from one pocked to another without result. The gentleman next to them in the corner reached out and paid his fare.

"Fares," repeated the conductor.

The dyspeptic clutched four cents nervously. He had got that for a newsboy, after spending twenty dollars' worth of time at a dollar a second waiting on the corner. The other six cents was not forthcoming. The passengers stopped growling—those who had attempted it stopped reading their papers. Even the baby snickered, but the mother accidentally knocked it against the conductor, and, as if partly in sympathy with the plight of its late enemies, it began to howl.

"Hurry up, gentlemen."

There was very little patience left in the conductor's voice.

"That's all right," said the young man. "We haven't got any change."

Possibly the millionaires were short of Metropolitan and didn't want to take any chances of increasing its dividends.

"You'll have to get off," said the conductor.

"Wait a minute," said the dyspeptic.

He had struck something in the depths of his overcoat pocket. His anxieties had fallen from $30,000,000 to six cents in two minutes, and no wonder he was excited. The young man's countenance was as undisturbed as the car window itself, though he moved to get out.

But his co-capitalist had at last extricated one lone coin from his overcoat. It was a nickel, and their total available assets had now risen to 9 cents. The conductor reached for the money. The car had been stopped.

"Never mind about the cent," he said, and the 9 cents was passed into his hand.

A few more snickers among the standers and a few from the sitters, and the millionaires were both buried in their newspapers, and the car moved on. But the passengers had lost forever all chance of hearing the rest of that $30,000,000.—*N. Y. Sun.*

WHAT HE LOST.

On one of the recent moonlight evenings four bicylers were spinning along the Boulevard, when a light loomed up on the road ahead of them. It wandered ilfully about, near the ground, like the ghost lights of darky stories, and the two girls didn't like it. Not that they were afraid. No, indeed; but they didn't see why that queer little light was hopping around the road, and they liked things they could understand.

However, they knew the men, being men, would be mean enough to call them scared if they said anything about the light, so they pedaled along with outward bravado until they made out a wheel lying against a fence, and the figure of a man writhing about in the road. Then one of the girls threw shame to the winds and struck.

"It's an awful accident," she said, with a quiver in her voice, "and I won't go near him. If he's bloody I'd faint, and then you'd have us both on your hands."

The men saw the force of that argument, so they left the girls and rushed to the rescue of the wounded man.

"Much hurt?" one of them shouted, as they came near him.

"Naw," growled the man, lighting another match and moving forward on all fours.

"Have an accident?"

"Yep."

By this time the rescuers' excitement had cooled down, and they were trying not to be disappointed because the man seemed intact.

"Looking for something?"

"Yep," and he dived off to the side of the road and explored the ditch.

"What have you lost?"

"Five dollars."

"Bills or change?" asked one of the new comers, with a touch of facetiousness in his voice.

"Nuther." Then he consented to get up and explain. "It wuz in false teeth. They went when I hit that rock, and, by gum, I believe I swallowed 'em, fer they ain't now heres around here."

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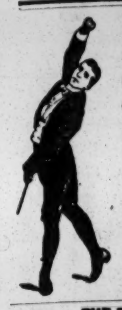

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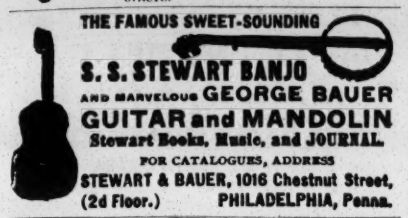

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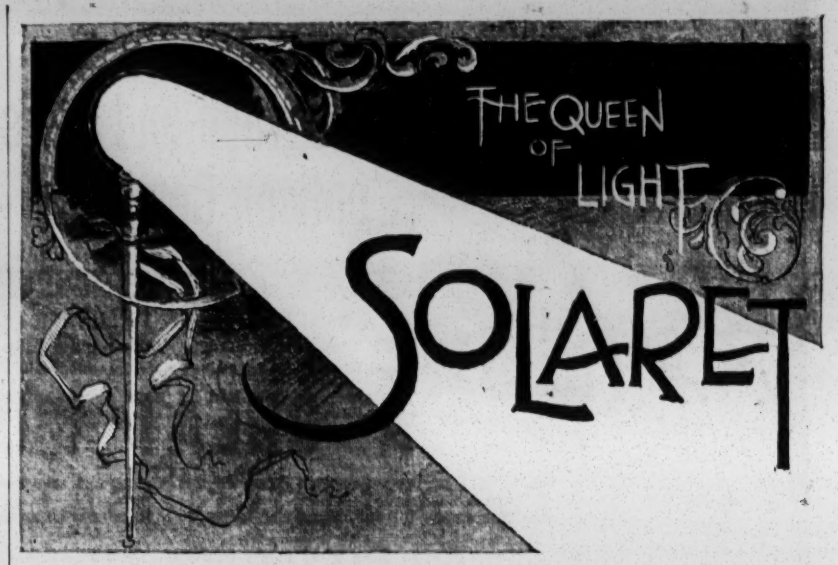

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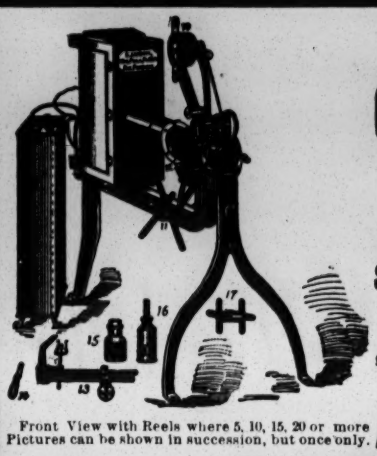

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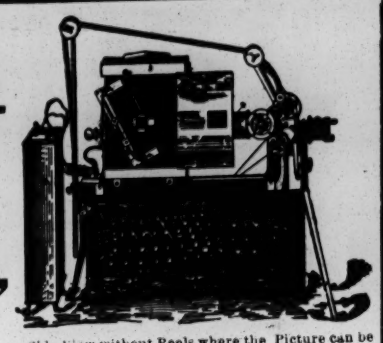

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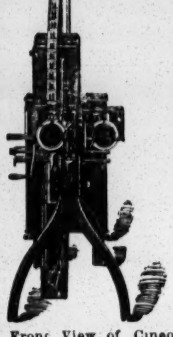

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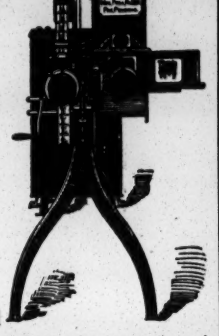

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